Triplex,

Of Songs, of five Voyces,

composed and made by

Tho. Whithorne Gent.

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¶In Muſicen Tho. Whithorni Hexaſticon ad Lectorem.

CAndide ſume tibi, lector, præludia muſæ,
hocq́ lubẽs ſpectes, quod modò ſurgit opus.
Authoris mentem metire, & conſule rectè,
vt merita meritum laude fruatur opus.
Nec multũ curat, probat, improbat æmula turba,
ipſe bonis mauuls, quàm placuiſſe malis.

Eiuſdem carmen Phaleucium ſiue Endecaſyllabum.

QVi clar[redacted]am nitore muſam
Fecit, [redacted]is videre lucem:
Rarum prodit opus Whithornus ille,
Et cunctis reſerat ſuas camænas
Plenas Pegaſei liquore fontis.
Hic dat lautitias, iocos, lepores,
Hic dat delitias, ſonoſq́ dulces,
His iunxit numeros venuſtiores.
Hauritq́ eloquium, phraſinq́ noſtram
Materno penitus ſapore cultam:
Perpende has pretio, has ames, emaſq́:
Hæ curas minuunt, leuant dolores,
Tollunt tædia, ſi qua ſunt moleſta,
Aſpires igitur pio Whithorno,
Præclaro ingenio faue, valeq́.

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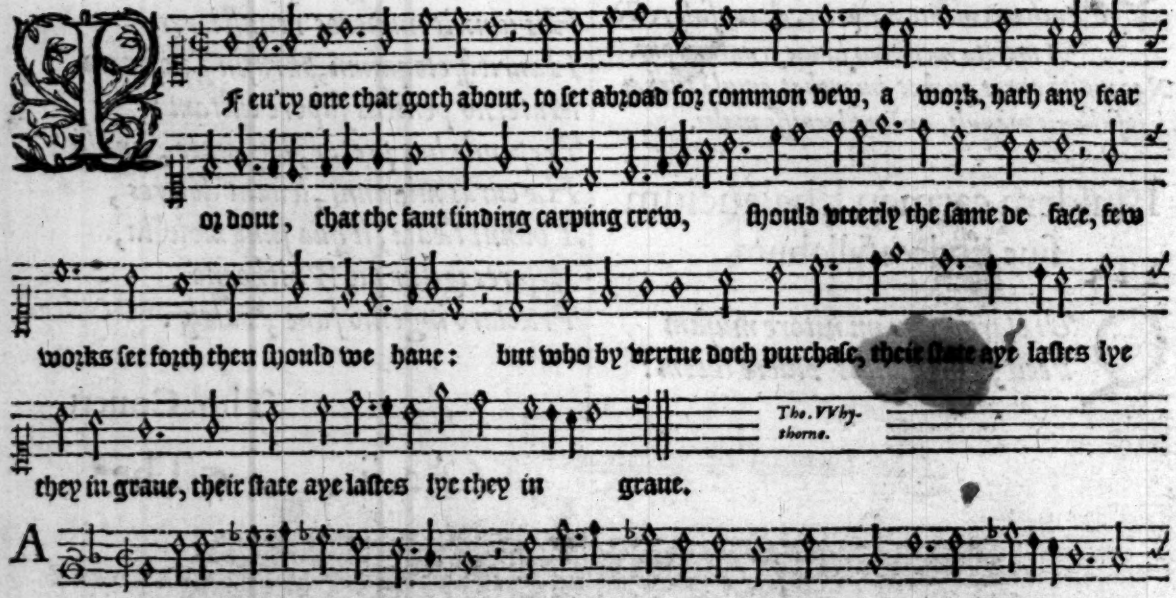
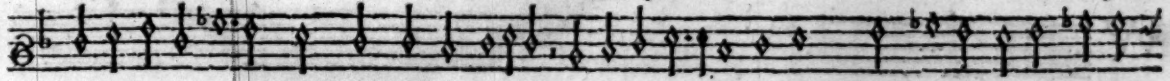
posed by Thomas Whythorne, conteyning Songes for three voyces.

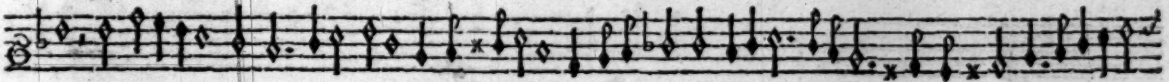


Euery one that goth about, to set abroad for common vew, a work, hath any fear
or dout, that the faut finding carping crew, should vtterly the same de face, few
works set forth then should we haue: but who by vertue doth purchase, their state aye lastes lye
they in graue, their state aye lastes lye they in graue.

A S many heads haue many wits, so diuers men of vertues haue, and vertue likes her
riches



ritches so, as other goods she doth not craue: nor to be celebrate of those, which be but of the cõmon



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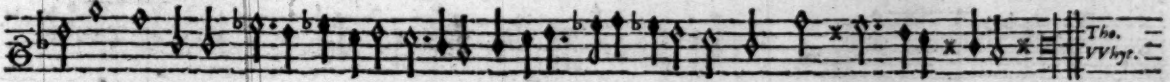

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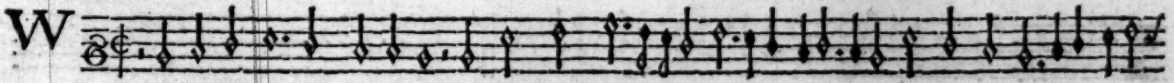
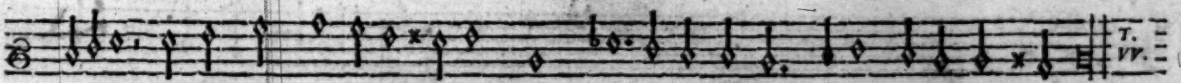


When fliering fortune fauoreth, the fals world then smi leth, but turn she once a-

bout her wheel, strange changes shalt thou feel. wherfore as now I counsell thee, vse truth and



honestie: so shalt thou stand & neuer quail, though fortune do thee fail, though fortune do thee fail.

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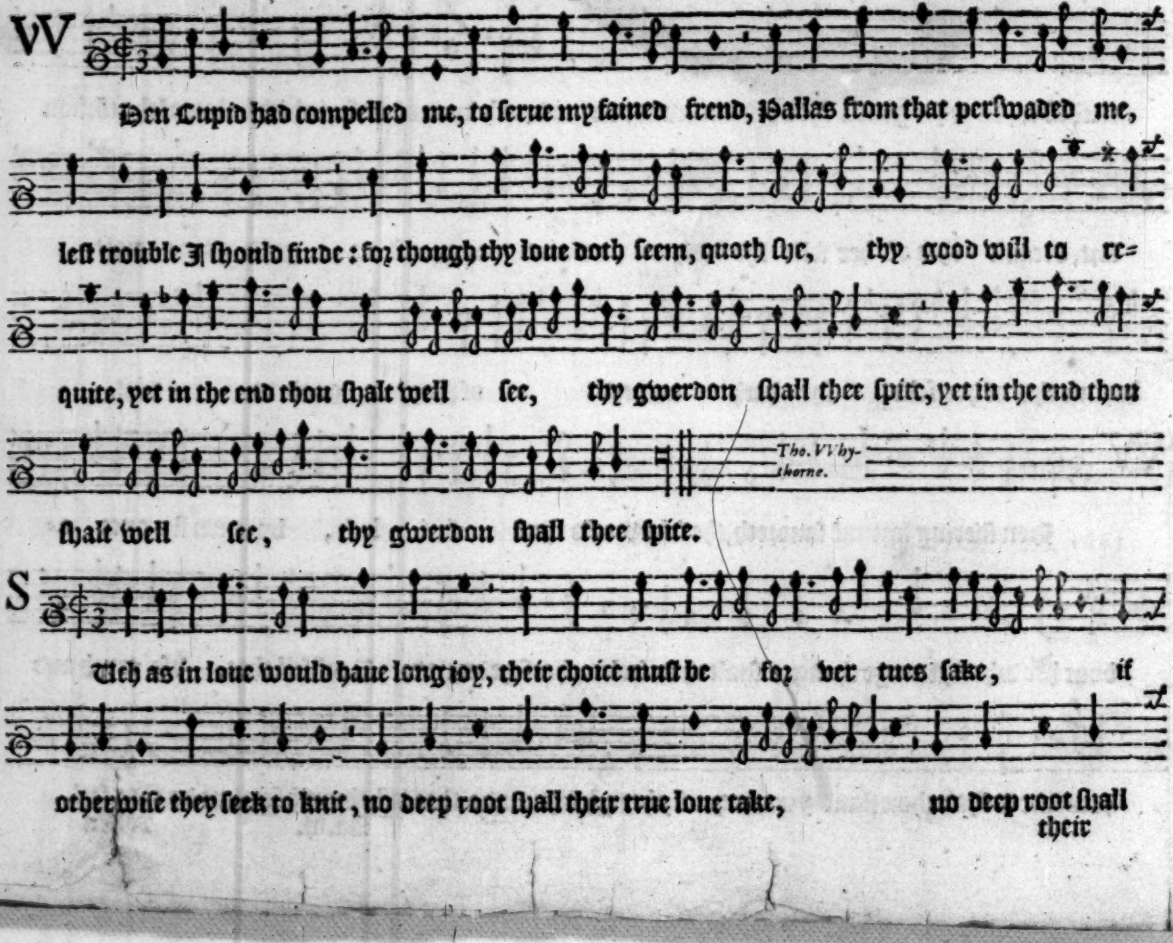
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When Cupid had compelled me, to serue my fained frend, Pallas from that perswaded me,
left trouble I should finde: for though thy loue doth seem, quoth she, thy good will to re-
quite, yet in the end thou shalt well see, thy gwerdon shall thee spite, yet in the end thou
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shalt well see, thy gwerdon shall thee spite.
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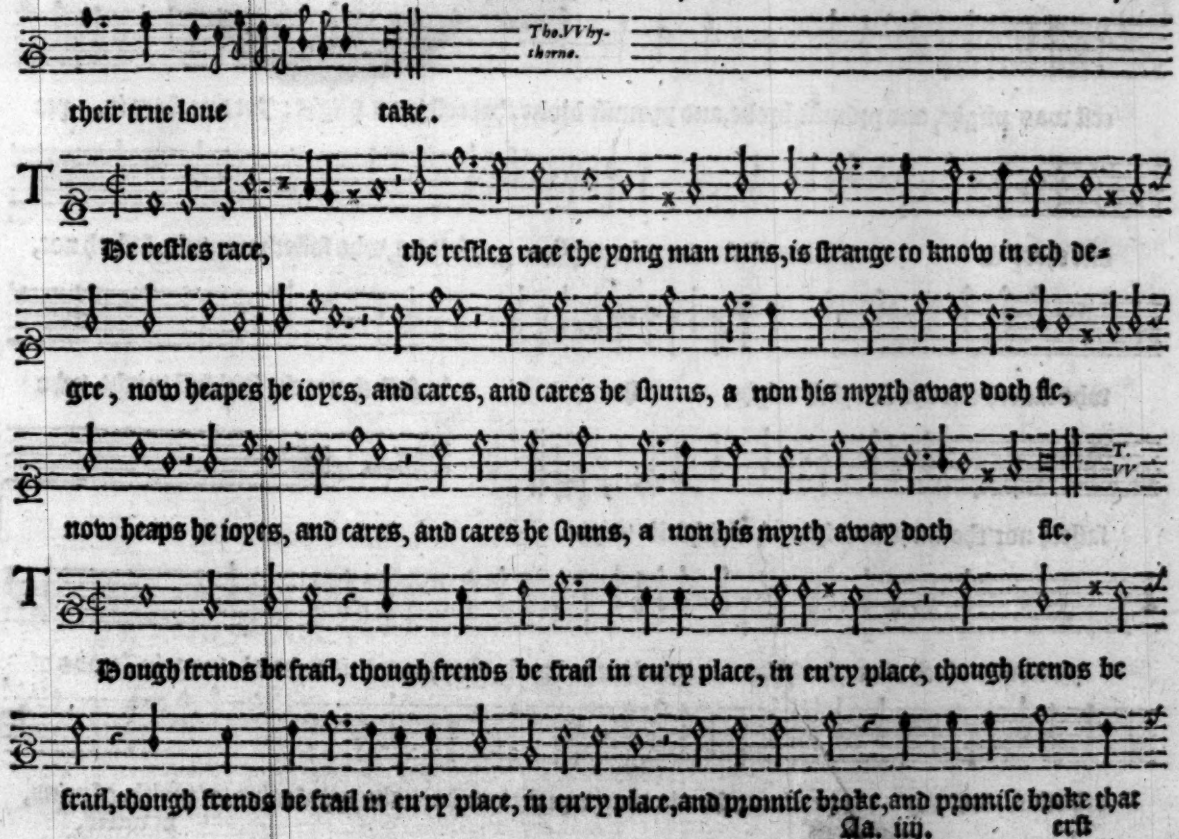
Ech as in loue would haue long ioy, their choice must be for ver tues sake, if
otherwise they seek to knit, no deep root shall their true loue take, no deep root shall
their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their true loue take.
He restles race, the restles race the yong man runs, is strange to know in ech de-
gre, now heapes he ioyes, and cares, and cares he shuns, a non his myth away doth flie,
now heaps he ioyes, and cares, and cares he shuns, a non his myth away doth flie.
Though frends be frail, though frends be frail in eu'ry place, in eu'ry place, though frends be
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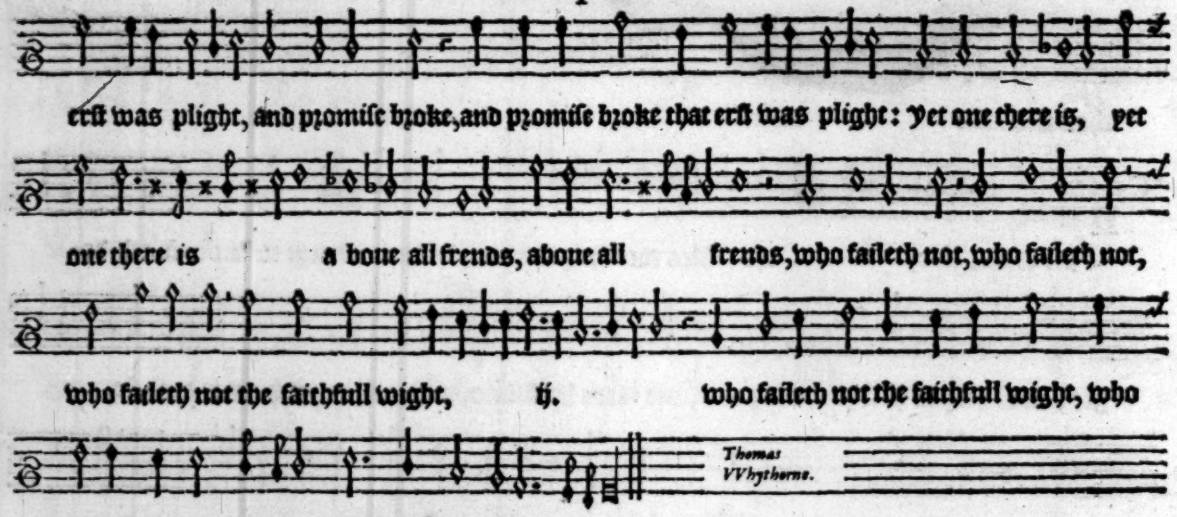
erſt was plight, and promiſe broke, and promiſe broke that erſt was plight: Yet one there is, yet
one there is a boue all frends, abone all frends, who faileth not, who faileth not,
who faileth not the faithfull wight, ij. who faileth not the faithfull wight, who
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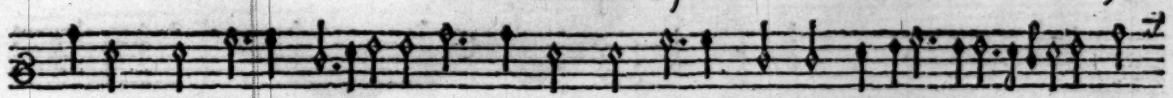
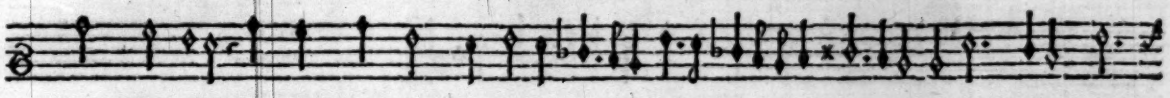
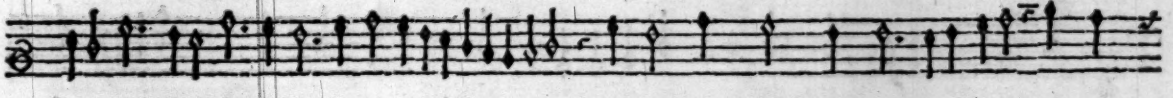
faileth not the faithfull wight, the faithfull wight.
I N frends of ech eſtate, look for equalitie to be al way, equalitie to be al way, in frends of
ech eſtate, look for equalitie to be al way, equalitie to be alway, of mind, of welth, of mind, of welth,



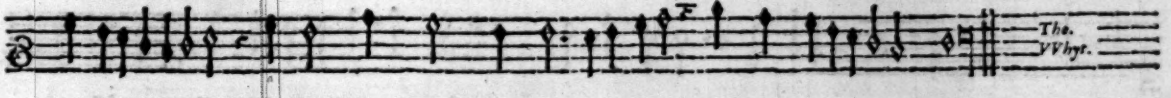
of welth, and honours eke, of minde, of welth, and honours eke, and honours eke, of



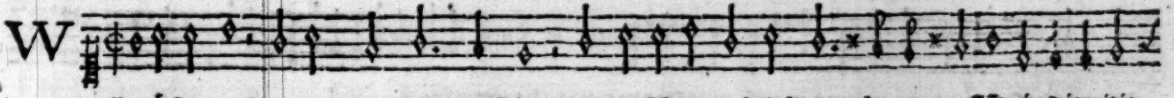
minde, of welth, of minde, of welth, and honours eke, ij. els soon they swarue



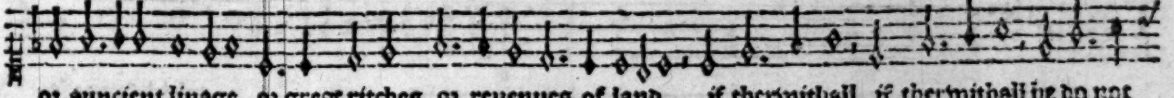
and part a way, ij. els soon they swarue and part a way, and part



away, ij els soon they swarue and part a way, and part a way.



Do ỹ for truth decrees (as iudge most sage) true noblenes of right one ly to stād, in dignitie,



or auncient linage, or great ritches, or reuenues of land, if therwithall, if therwithall ye do not

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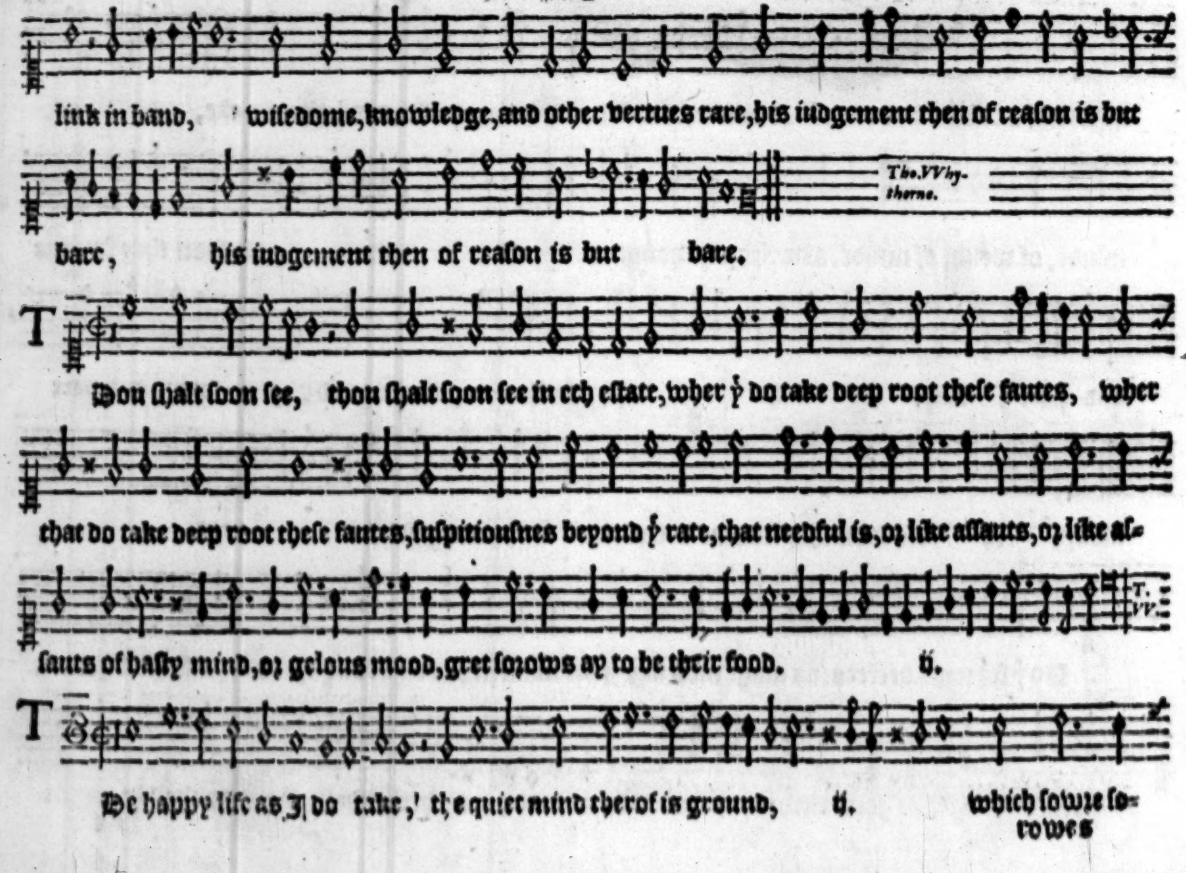
link in band, wisedome, knowledge, and other vertues rare, his iudgement then of reason is but
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bare, his iudgement then of reason is but bare.
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Thou shalt soon see, thou shalt soon see in ech estate, wher ẏ do take deep root these faultes, wher
that do take deep root these faultes, suspitiousnes beyond ẏ rate, that needful is, or like assaults, or like as-
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saults of hasty mind, or gelous mood, gret sorows ay to be their food. ti.
T
Be happy life as I do take, the quiet mind therof is ground, ti. which sowre so-
rowes

rowes doth ſtill forſake, ij. digeſting them as they a bound: for who frō cares will paſſe

to eaſe, muſt take all troubles in good part, and if the mind take no diſeaſe ij. all troubles

els will ſoon reuert, ij. will ſoon reuert.

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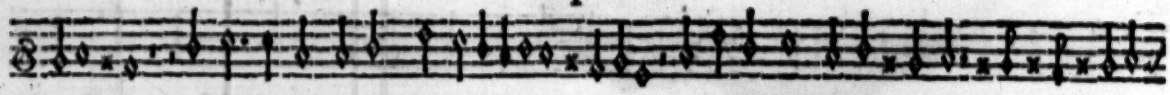
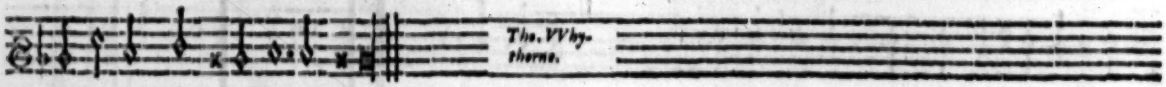
H E that contemneth iniuries, his ſtate better appeare ſhall ſoon, then his who frets, then

his who frets, then his who frets maliciouſly, ij. till he reuenge offences done: for

as malice tormentes his hart, and all his helth doth ſtraight vnweſt, and all his helth doth ſtraight



vnwrest, the other not forcing therof, ij. returneth soon to quiet rest,



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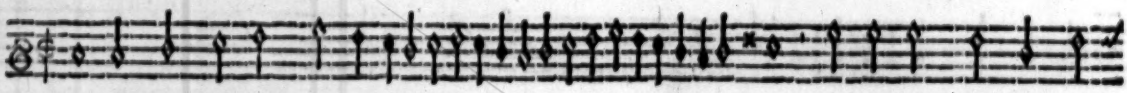
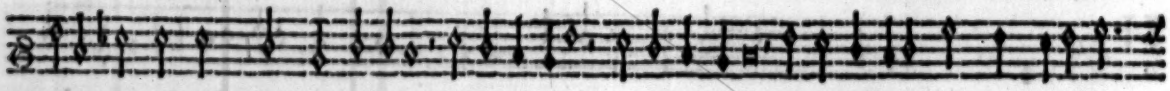
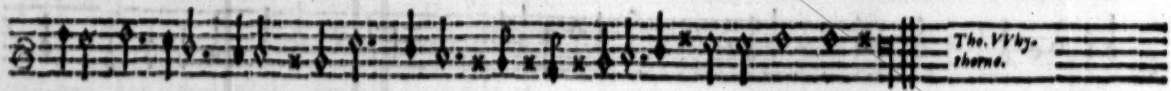


Eware how sorowes thee oppres, ij. let wisedome rule thy fan-



tasie, let wisedome rule thy fantasie, so as dispaire, so as dispaire, so as dispaire thee not pos ses,



with deadly dread thy fayth to try, thy fayth to try.

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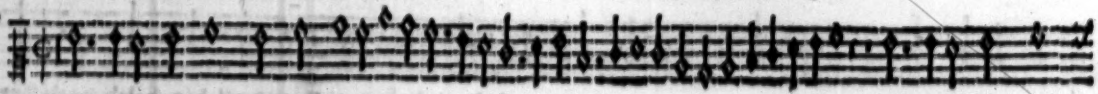
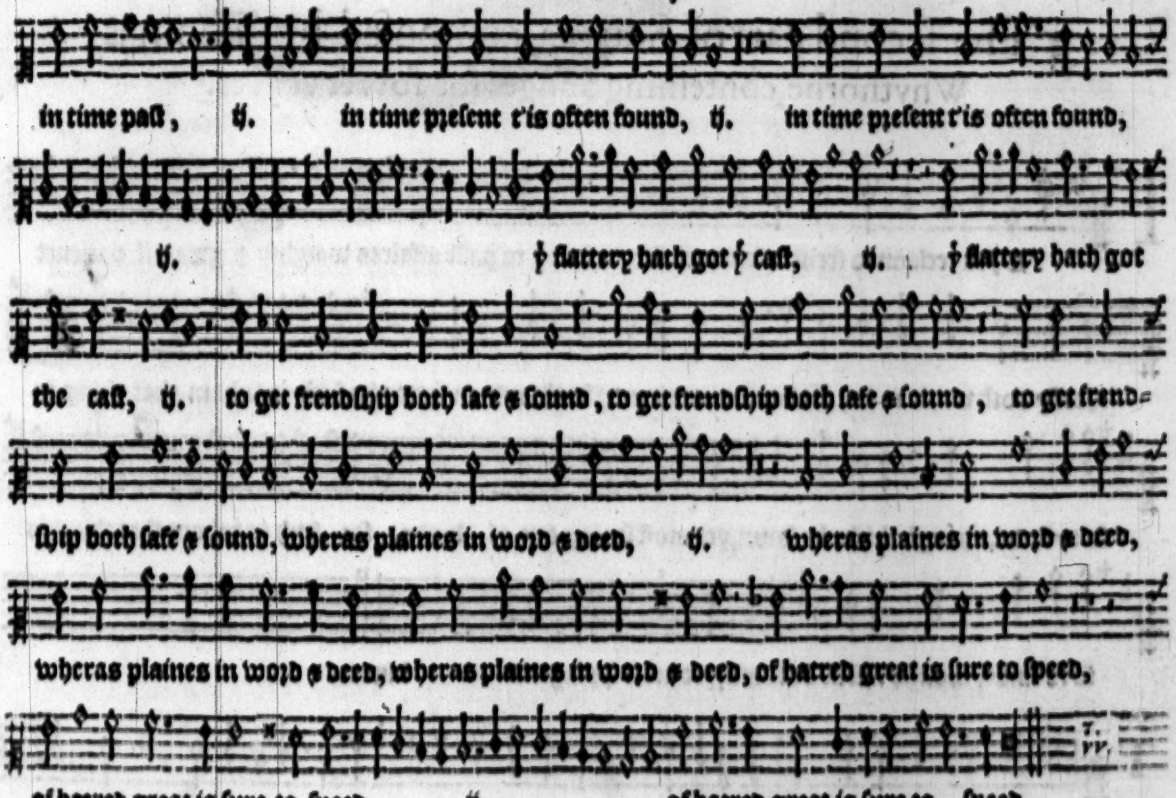


Hat euer hath been in time past, ij. what euer hath been

in



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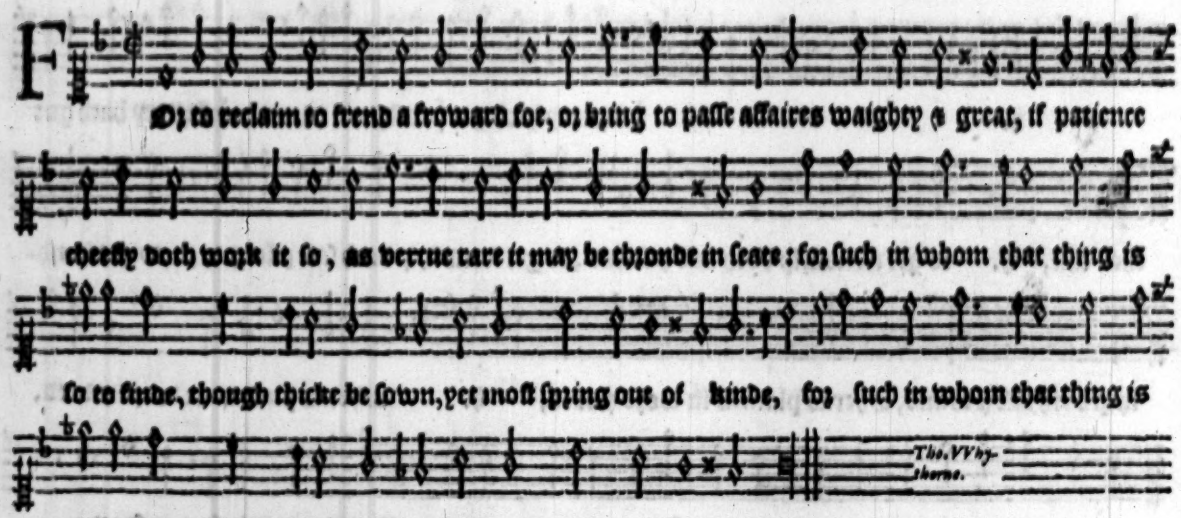
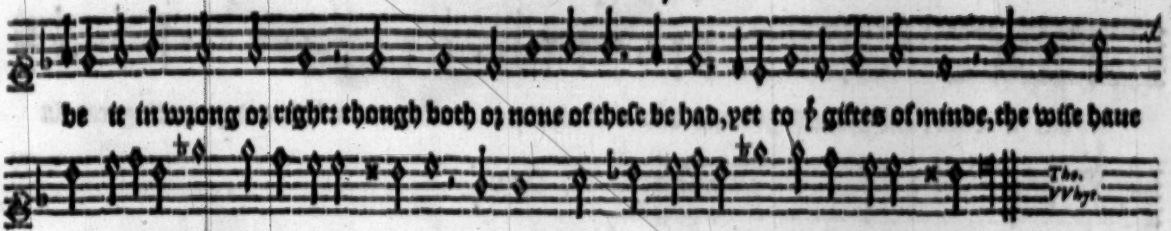
¶ The ſecond part of Songes, compoſed by Thomas Whythorne, conteining Songes for fower voyces.




be it in wrong or right: though both or none of these be had, yet to ꝑ giftes of minde, the wise haue
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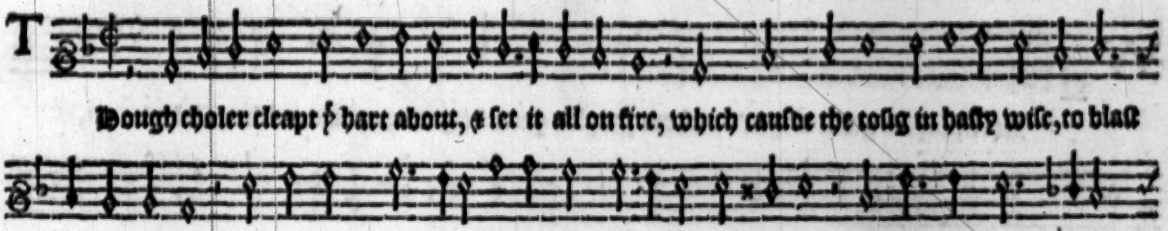
the prerogatiue, in all ages allinde, the wise haue the prerogatiue, in all ages allinde.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Though choler cleapt ꝑ hart about, & set it all on fire, which causde the tong in hasty wise, to blast
out for my hire, a dreadfull change for me to haue, if it had taken place: yet now ꝑ storme is
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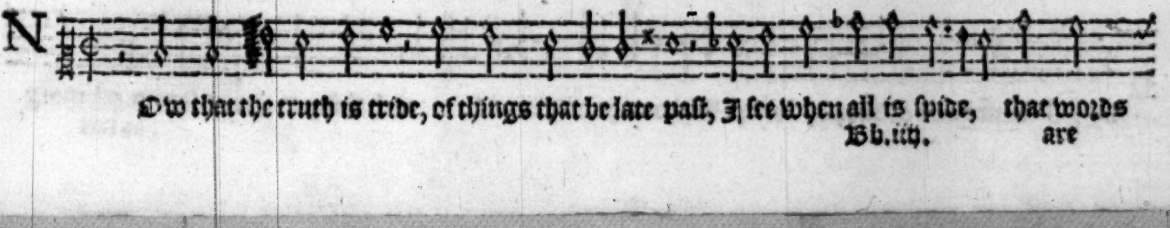
gone & past, and I in quiet case, yet now the storme is gone & past, and I in quiet case.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Ow that the truth is tride, of things that be late past, I see when all is spide, that words

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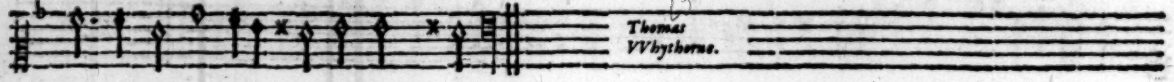
are but a blaſt: and promiſe great, is but a heat, if not performde at laſt, and promiſe great, is



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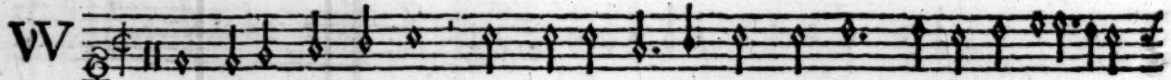
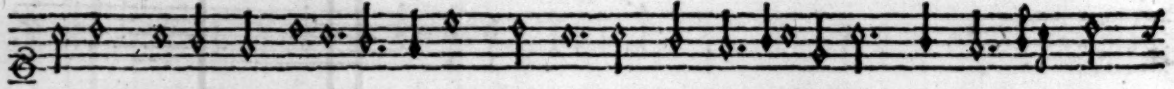
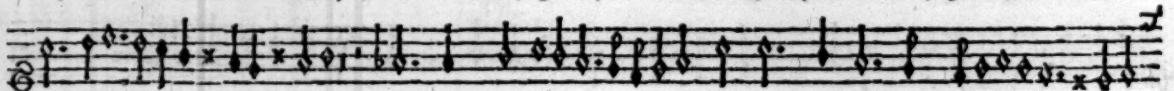


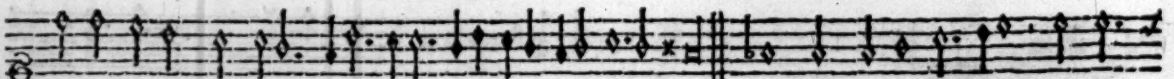
18 VV Here prayſes great be geu'n, where prayſes great be geu'n, or faultes likewiſe be found,



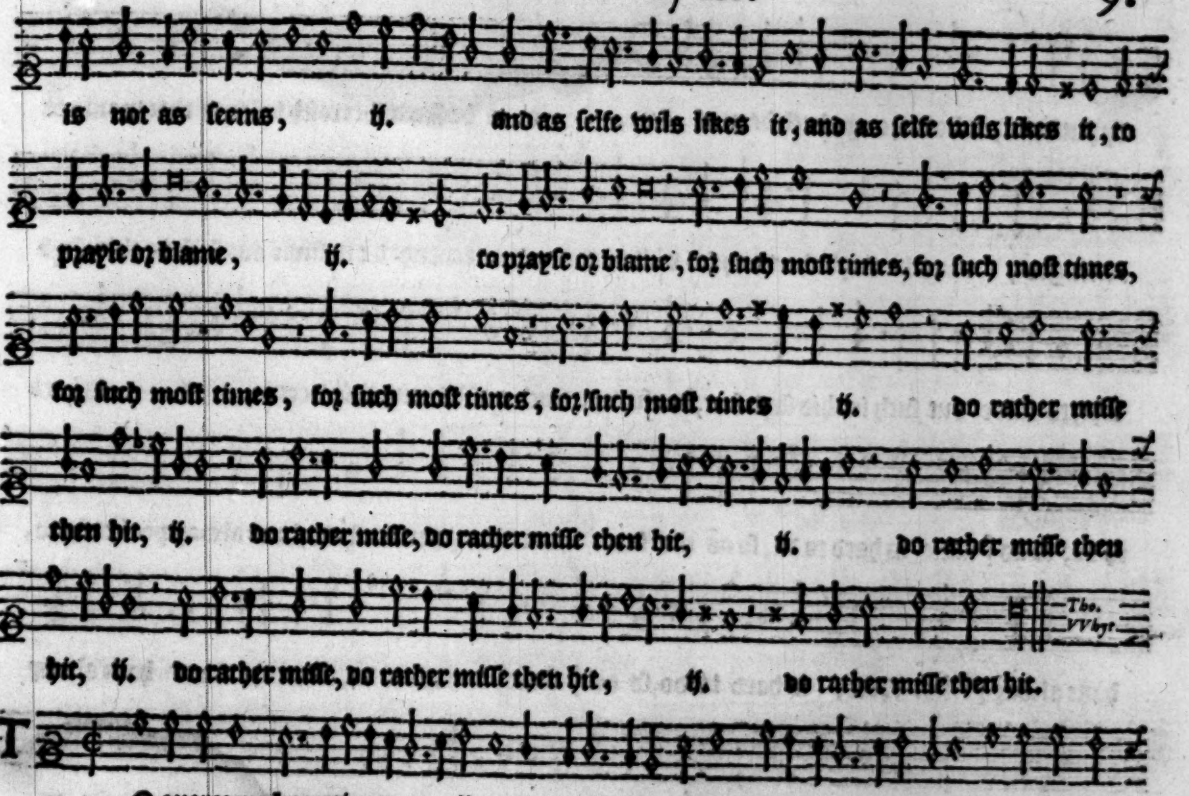
or faultes likewiſe be found, &. oft times they both are blown abrode, oft times they both are blown



abrode, &. are blown abrode, &. by will, without good ground, &.



by wil, wout good grouſd, by wil, without good ground. Ech thing is not as ſeems, ech thing is not


is not as seems, ij. and as selfe wils likes it, and as selfe wils likes it, to
prayse or blame, ij. to prayse or blame, for such most times, for such most times,
for such most times, for such most times, for such most times ij. do rather misse
then hit, ij. do rather misse, do rather misse then hit, ij. do rather misse then
hit, ij. do rather misse, do rather misse then hit, ij. do rather misse then hit.
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To ouercome by patience, ij. to ouercome by pa ti ence, to ouercome
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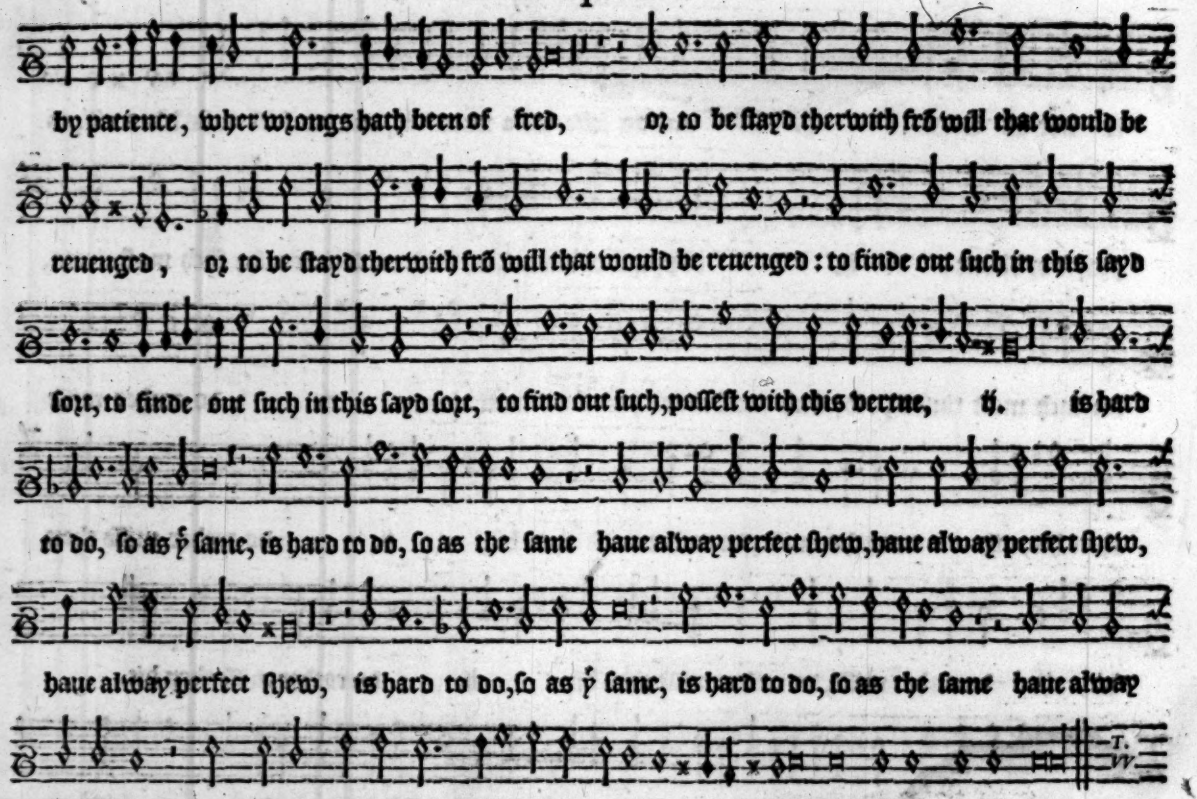

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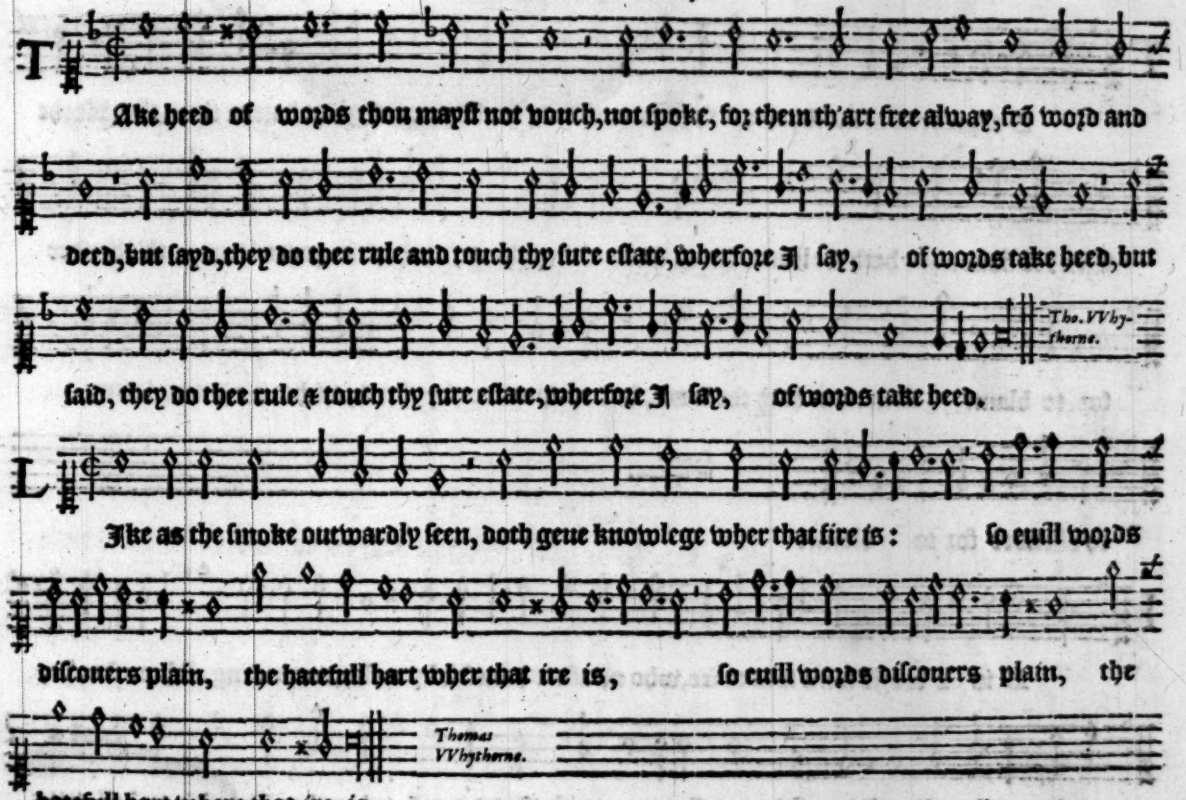

TAke heed of woꝛds thou mayſt not vouch, not ſpoke, foꝛ them th'art free alway, frō woꝛd and deed, but ſayd, they do thee rule and touch thy ſure eſtate, wherfoꝛe I ſay, of woꝛds take heed, but ſaid, they do thee rule & touch thy ſure eſtate, wherfoꝛe I ſay, of woꝛds take heed.

LIke as the ſmoke outwardly ſeen, doth geue knowlege wher that fire is: ſo euill woꝛds diſcouers plain, the hatefull hart wher that ire is, ſo euill woꝛds diſcouers plain, the hatefull hart where that ire is.

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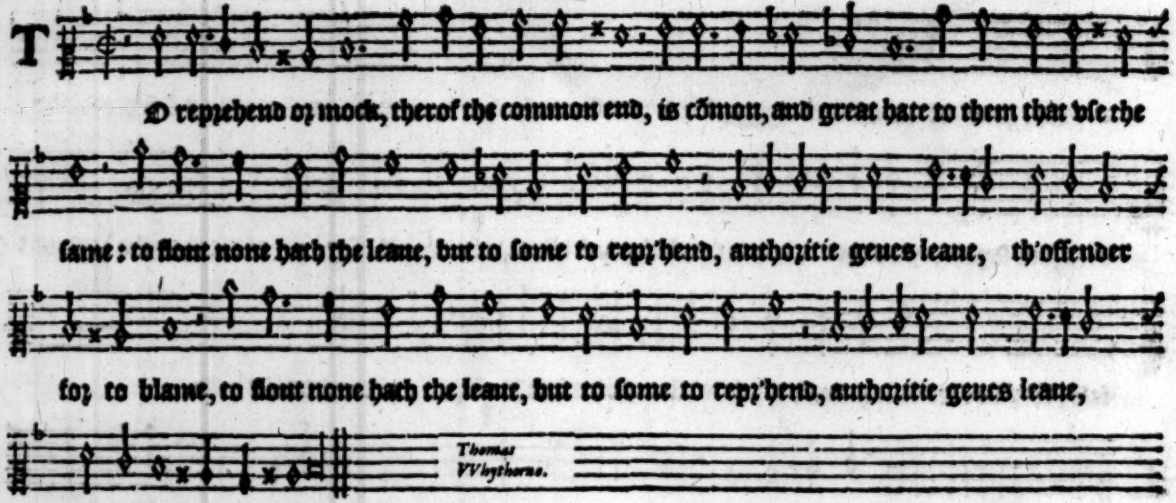
To reprehend or mock, therof the common end, is cõmon, and great hate to them that vse the
same: to flout none hath the leame, but to some to repr'hend, authoritie geues leame, th'offender
for to blame, to flout none hath the leame, but to some to repr'hend, authoritie geues leame,
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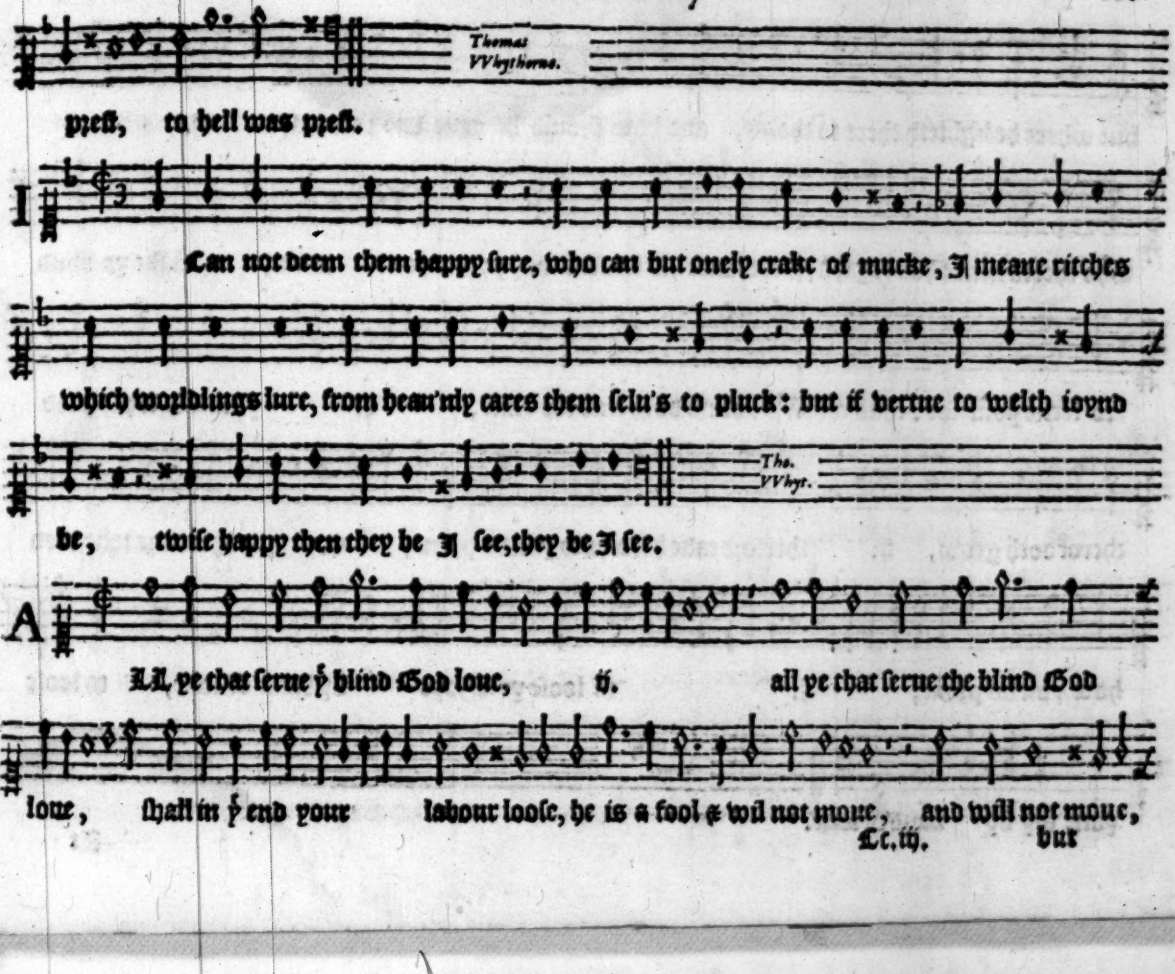
th'offender for to blame.
It is a world some sots to see, who measure honestie by welth, accounting all honest to be,
as they posses of worldly welth: and Lazarus with God did rest, when the rich gulch to hell was
prest,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preſt, to hell was preſt.
I Can not deem them happy ſure, who can but onely crake of mucke, I meane ritches
which worldlings lure, from heauenly cares them ſelu's to pluck: but if vertue to welth ioynd
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be, twiſe happy then they be I ſee, they be I ſee.
A LL ye that ſerue ẏ blind God loue, ti. all ye that ſerue the blind God
loue, ſhall in ẏ end your labour looſe, he is a fool & wil not moue, and will not moue,
Cc.iij. but

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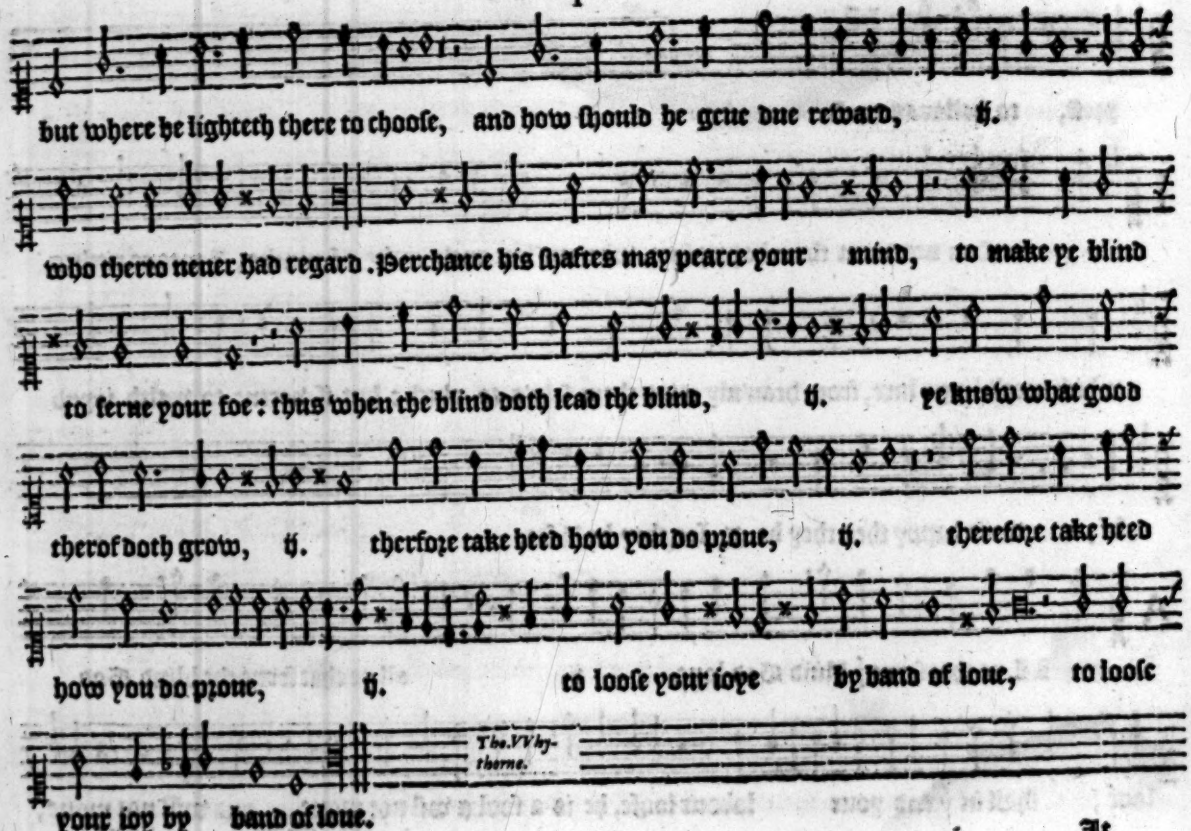
but where he lighteth there to chooſe, and how ſhould he geue due reward, ij.
who therto neuer had regard. Perchance his ſhaftes may pearce your mind, to make ye blind
to ſerue your foe: thus when the blind doth lead the blind, ij. ye know what good
therof doth grow, ij. therfore take heed how you do proue, ij. therefore take heed
how you do proue, ij. to looſe your ioye by band of loue, to looſe
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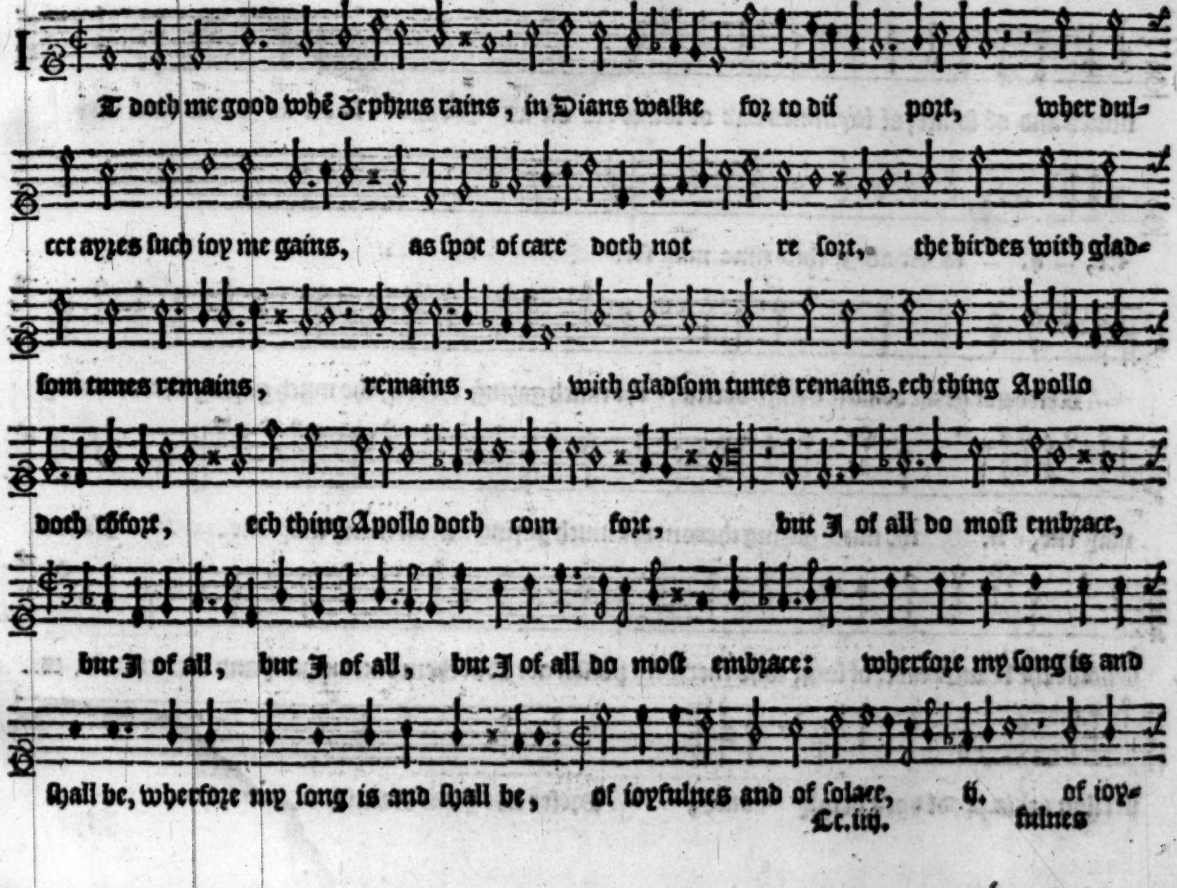
your ioy by band of loue.


I doth me good whē Zephyrus rains, in Dians walke for to dil port, wher dul-
cet ayres such ioy me gains, as spot of care doth not re sort, the birdes with glad-
som tunes remains, remains, with gladsom tunes remains, ech thing Apollo
doth cohort, ech thing Apollo doth com fort, but I of all do most embrace,
but I of all, but I of all, but I of all do most embrace: wherfore my song is and
shall be, wherfore my song is and shall be, of ioyfulnes and of solace, ij. of ioy-
fulnes

fulnes and of ſolace, of ioyfulnes and of ſolace, ſo oft as I, ſo oft as I this time may

ſee, ij. ſo oft as I this time may ſee.

Refer not great beautie before vertue, the much gazing theron, the much gazing theron many

may rue, ij. the much gazing theron, the much gazing theron many may rue. For to

beholde the beautie rare, of ſome who therwith poſſeſt are: but them t'accompany and oft to touch, is

perilous this proof doth firmly vouch, Refer not great beautie, *Vt ſupra.*

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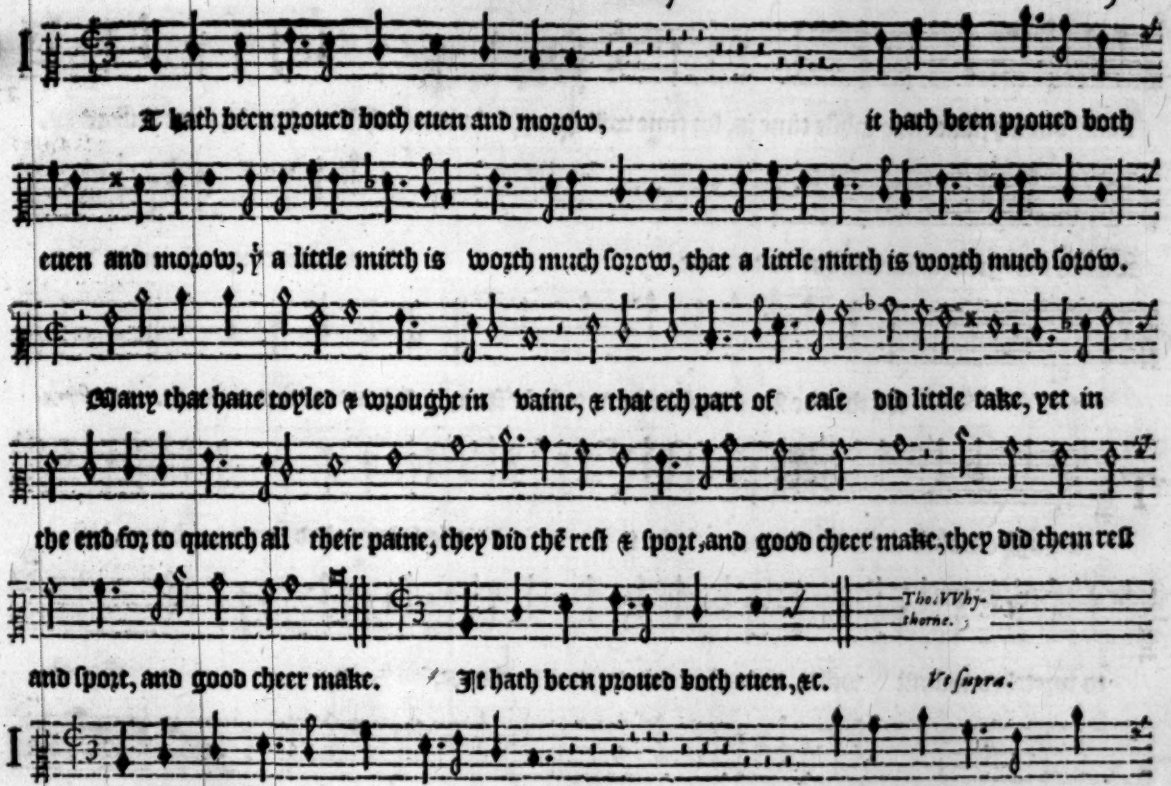

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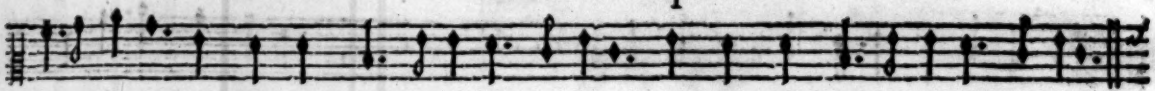
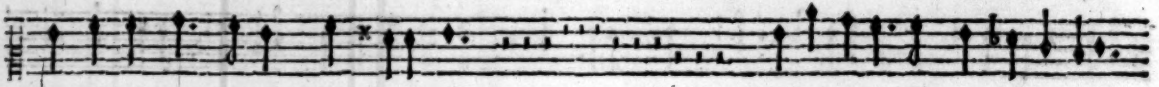
For children. Primus Triplex.



many one say, take time while time is, for time will away, take time while time is, for time will away.

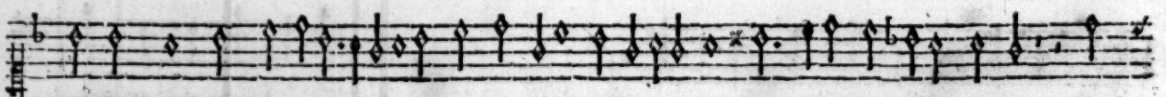


who so that great affaires haue to be done, let no deferrings of time be vsed,

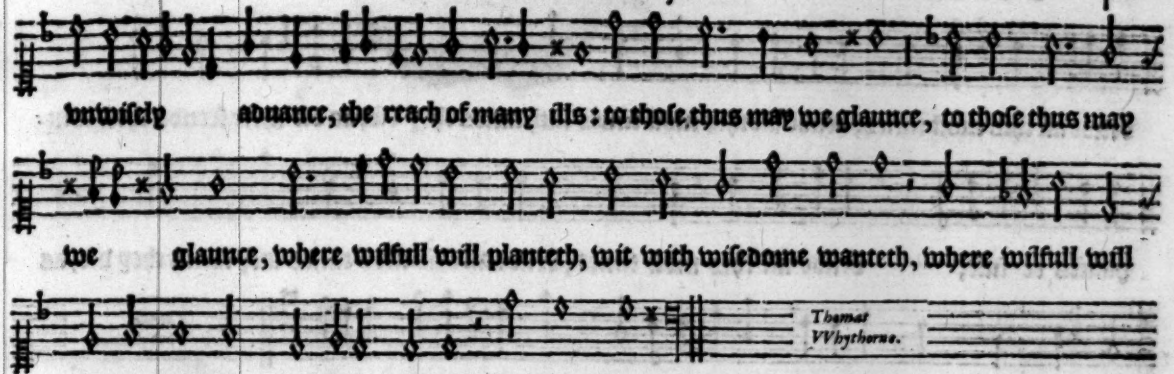
lest they be far off whē they would be sped. ℑ haue ere this time, &c. *Vt supra.*

Though crooked cares do chance, ij though crooked cares do chance, ij.

to wretched wilfull wills, though crooked cares do chance, ij. though

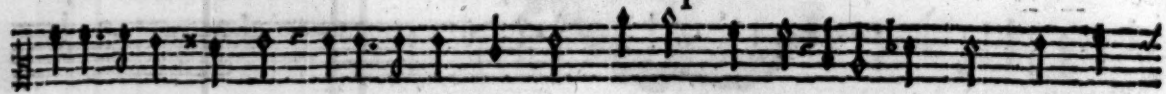


crooked cares do chance, ij. to wretched wilfull wils, which vnwisely aduance, which vnwisely

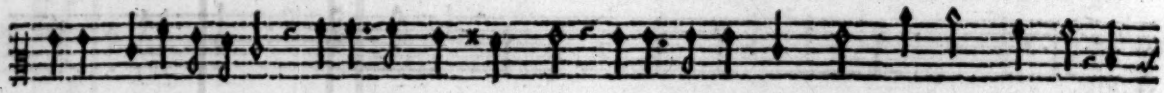


vnwisely aduance, the reach of many ills: to those thus may we glaunce, to those thus may we glaunce, where wilfull will planteth, wit with wisedome wanteth, where wilfull will planteth, wit with wisedome wanteth, wisedome wanteth.

When that well tipled are, whē that well tipled are with bouled bum, dan Bacchus birdes, dan Bacchus birdes so deare, their tounges then talk, and blab at large, their tounges then talk, and blab at large, that which in mind doth come, not shame cā let, not shame cā let their reckles speech to walk:

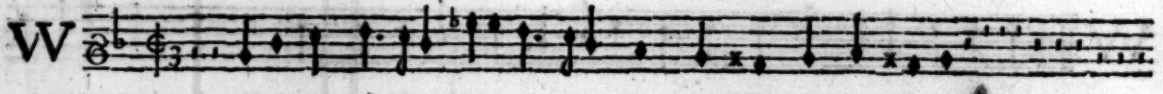


beſide all this moſt times, beſide all this moſt times ſuch factes they vſe, as oft their frends their com=

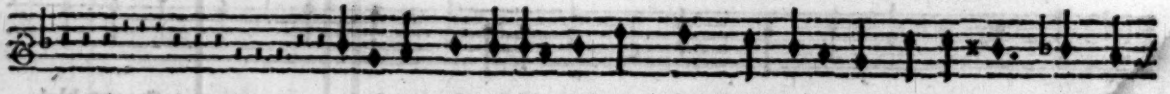


panies re fuſe, beſide all this moſt times, beſide all this moſt times ſuch factes they vſe, as

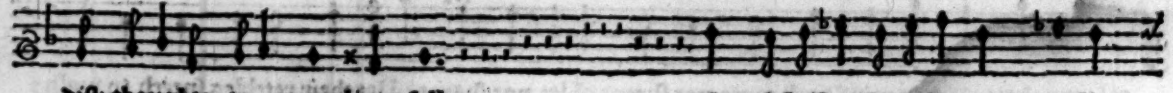
oft their frendes their companies re fuſe, their companies re fuſe.



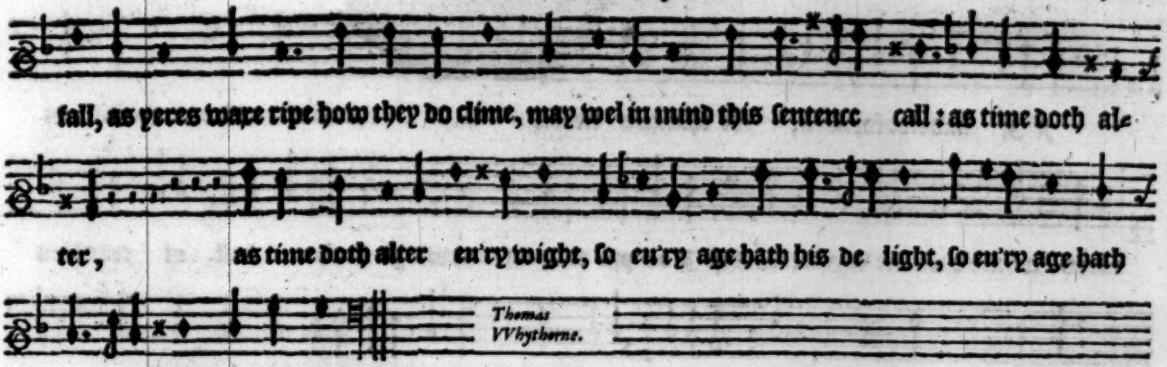
Who ẏ will wey of ages all, their change of ſhapes frō time to time,



who ẏ will wey of ages all, their change of ſhapes frō time to time, what chil=



diſh thoughts to younglings fall, what childiſh thoughts to younglings fall,


fall, as yeres waxe ripe how they do clime, may wel in mind this sentence call: as time doth al-
ter, as time doth alter eu'ry wight, so eu'ry age hath his de light, so eu'ry age hath
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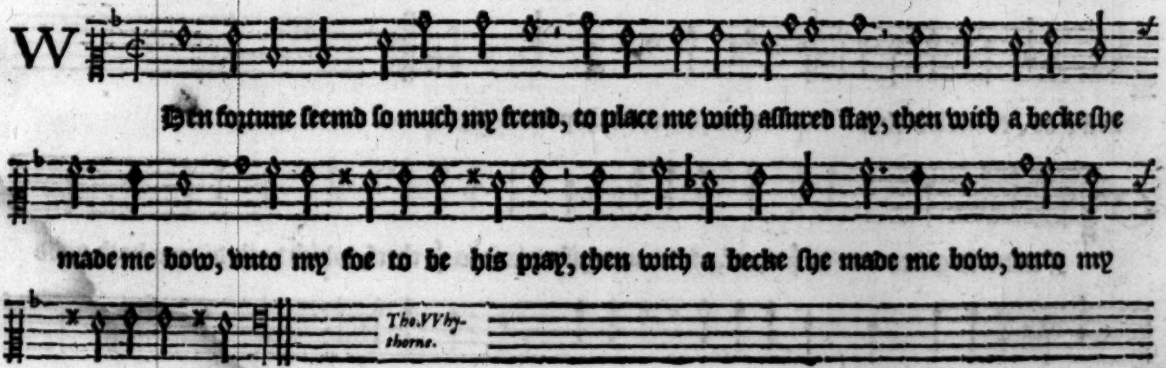
his de light, hath his delight.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When fortune seemd so much my frend, to place me with assured stay, then with a becke she
made me bow, vnto my foe to be his pray, then with a becke she made me bow, vnto my
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foe to be his pray.

Triplex.

34 I F I had not foreſeen, the changes newly hapt, the ſodeine chance therof in

cares would haue me wrapt: therfore I do pro teſt, foreknowlege is the beſt, of troubles

that muſt come, for then they ſoon digeſt, therfore I do pro teſt, foreknowlege is the

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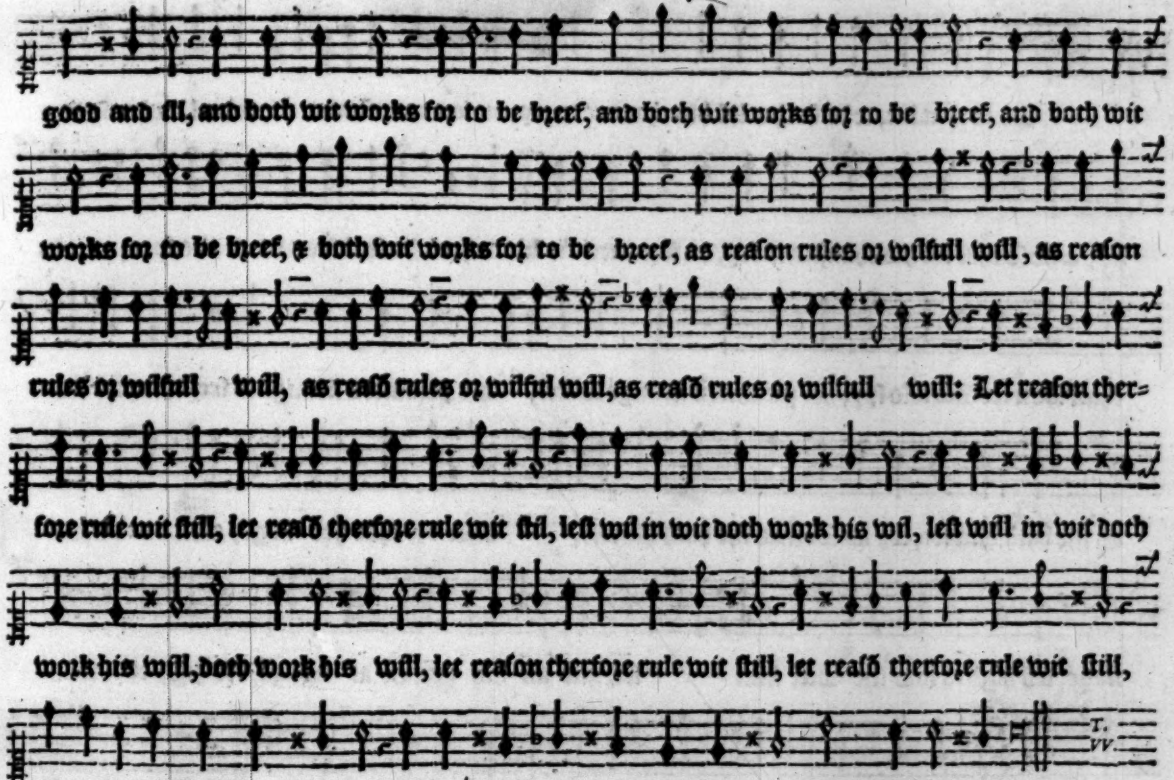
beſt, of troubles that muſt come, for then they ſoon digeſt.

35 34 O F natures gifres wit is ſ cheef, of natures gifres wit is ſ cheef, which doth diſcern both good

and ill, of natures gifres wit is ſ cheef, of natures gifres wit is ſ cheef, which doth diſcern both

good


good and ill, and doth wit works for to be breef, and doth wit works for to be breef, and doth wit
works for to be breef, & doth wit works for to be breef, as reason rules or wilfull will, as reason
rules or wilfull will, as reaſō rules or wilful will, as reaſō rules or wilfull will: Let reason ther-
fore rule wit still, let reaſō therfore rule wit still, leſt wil in wit doth work his wil, leſt will in wit doth
work his will, doth work his will, let reason therfore rule wit still, let reaſō therfore rule wit still,
leſt wil in wit doth work his wil, leſt will in wit doth work his will, doth work his will.

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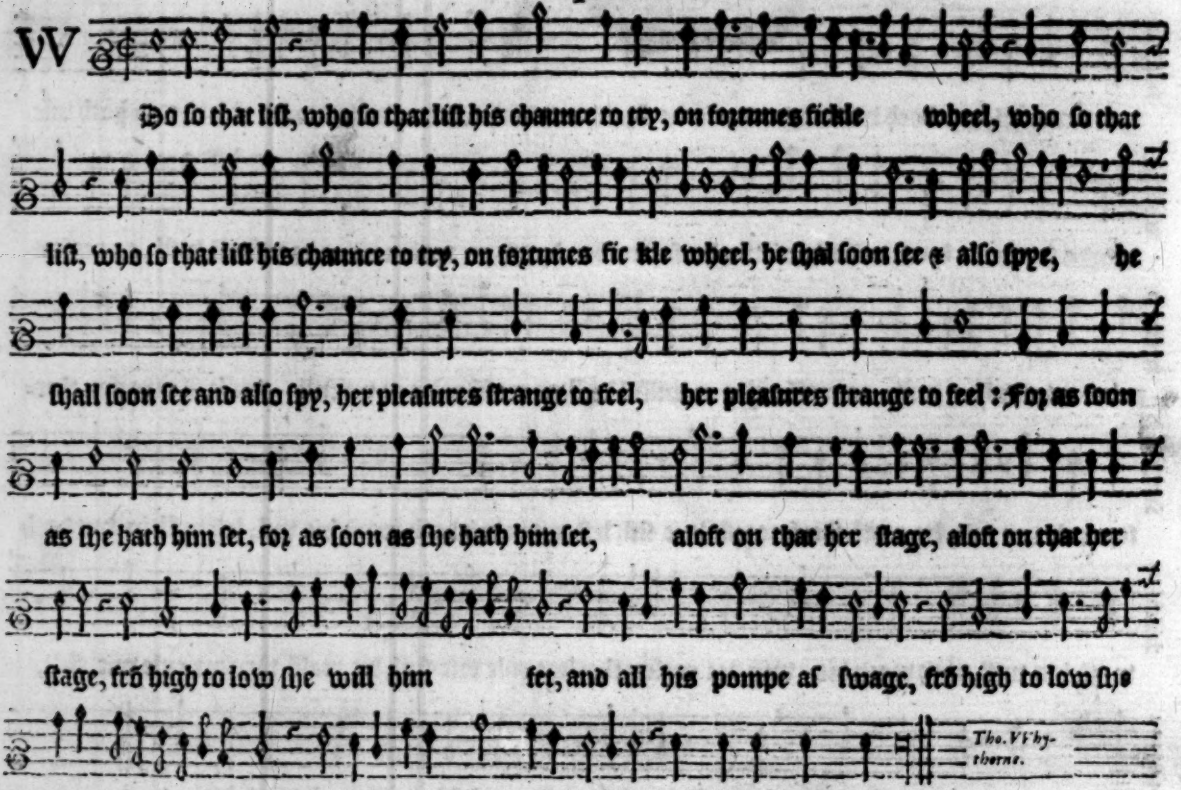

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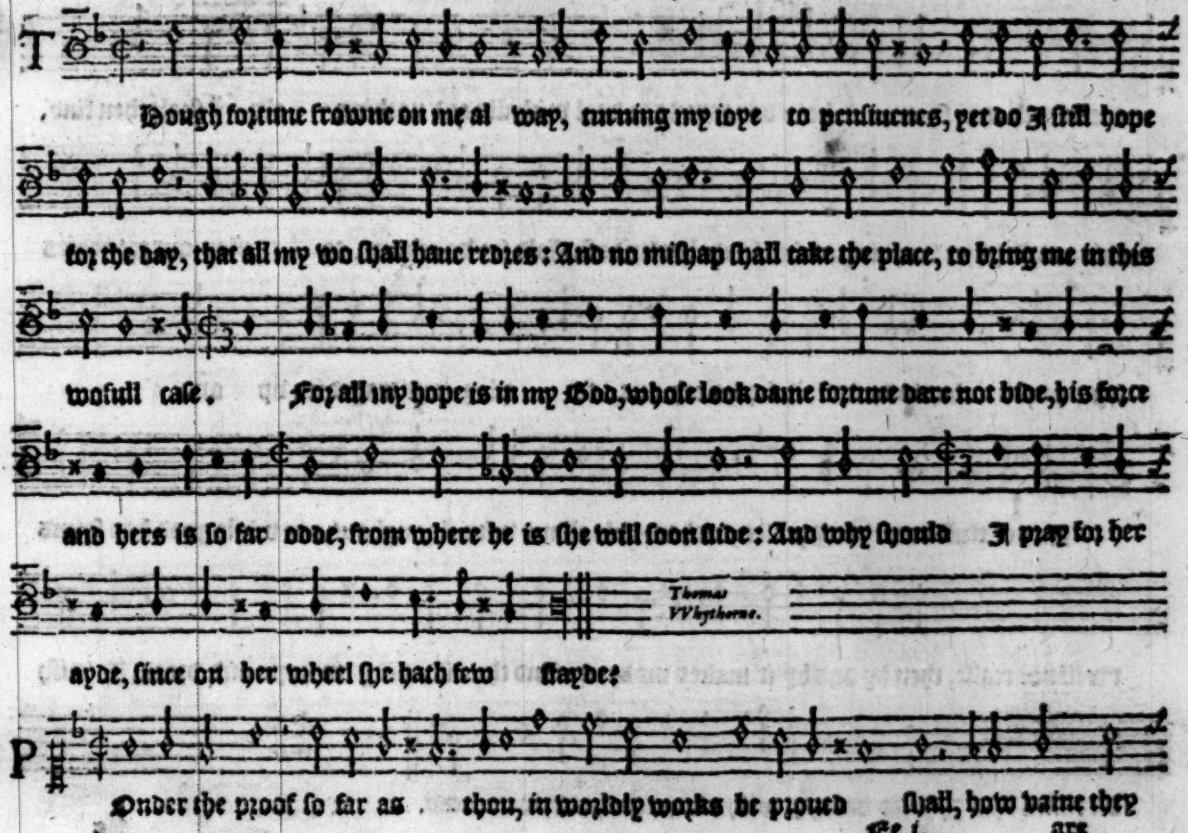
T
Though fortune frowne on me al way, turning my ioye to penſiuenes, yet do I ſtill hope
for the day, that all my wo ſhall haue redres: And no miſhap ſhall take the place, to bring me in this
woſull caſe. For all my hope is in my God, whole look daine fortune dare not bide, his force
and hers is ſo far odde, from where he is ſhe will ſoon ſlide: And why ſhould I pray for her
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ayde, ſince on her wheel ſhe hath few ſtaydes
P
Onder the proof ſo far as thou, in worldly works be proued ſhall, how vaine they
Ee.i. are

are in deed and show, how dangerous to deal withall: and nothing els ye shalt then find,

this world (thus working in his kind) but wide scaffold for vs ech one, to play our tragedies

vp on, but wide scaffold for vs ech one, to play our tragedies vp on.

Tho. VVhyt.

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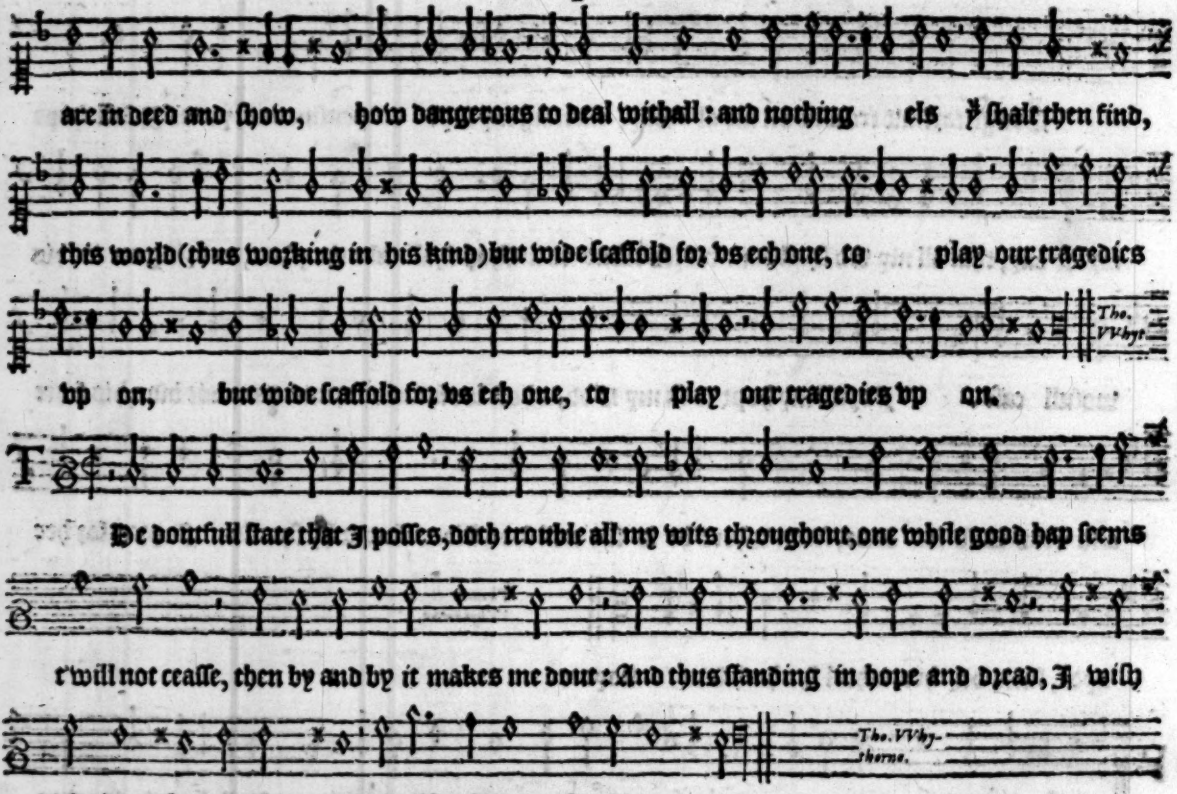
He doutfull state that I posses, doth trouble all my wits throughout, one while good hap seems

t'will not ceasse, then by and by it makes me dout: And thus standing in hope and dread, I wish



oft times that I were dead, I wish oft times that I were dead,

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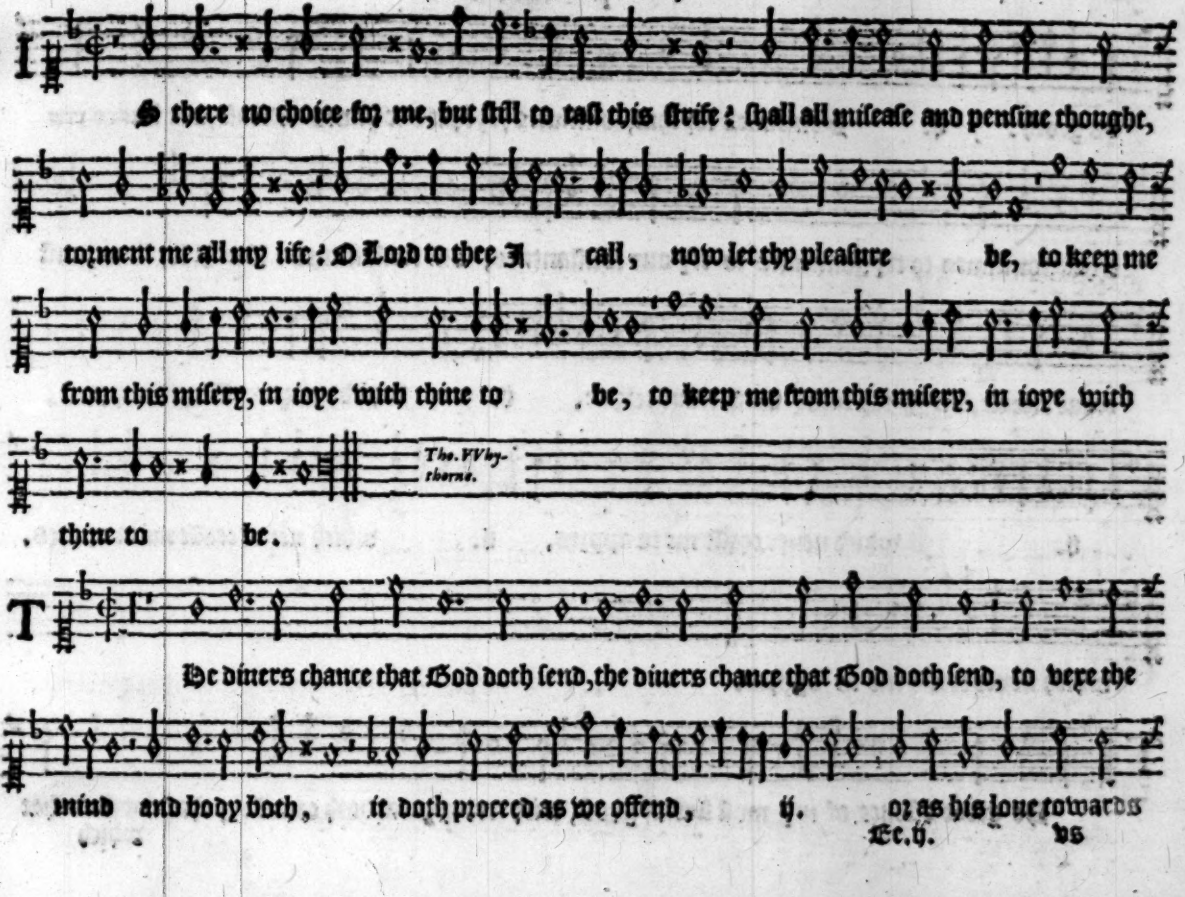
I
S there no choice for me, but still to tast this strife: shall all mislease and pensine thought,
torment me all my life: O Lord to thee I call, now let thy pleasure be, to keep me
from this misery, in ioye with thine to be, to keep me from this misery, in ioye with
Tho. VVby-thorne.
thine to be.
T
He diuers chance that God doth send, the diuers chance that God doth send, to vexe the
mind and body both, it doth proceed as we offend, ij. or as his loue towards
Ee.ij. vs

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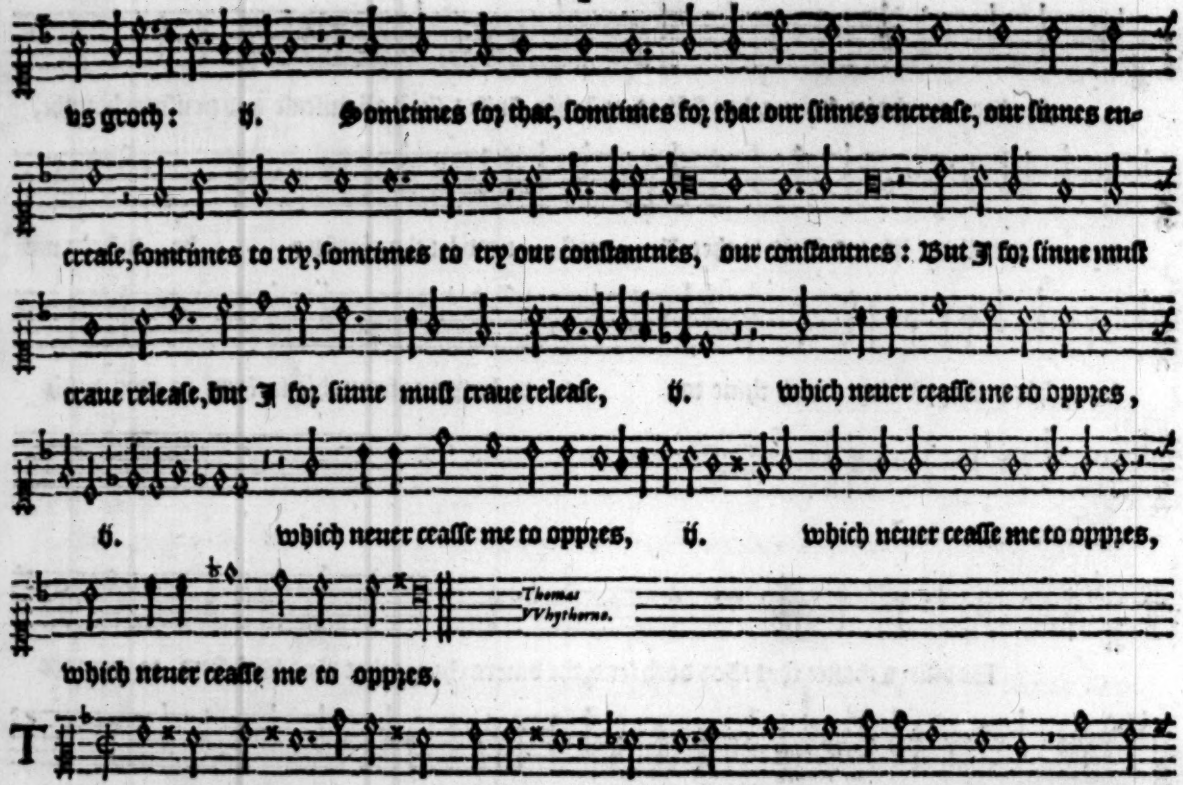

T He great offence of my most sinfull ghost, with terror great doth ouerflow the same, and that

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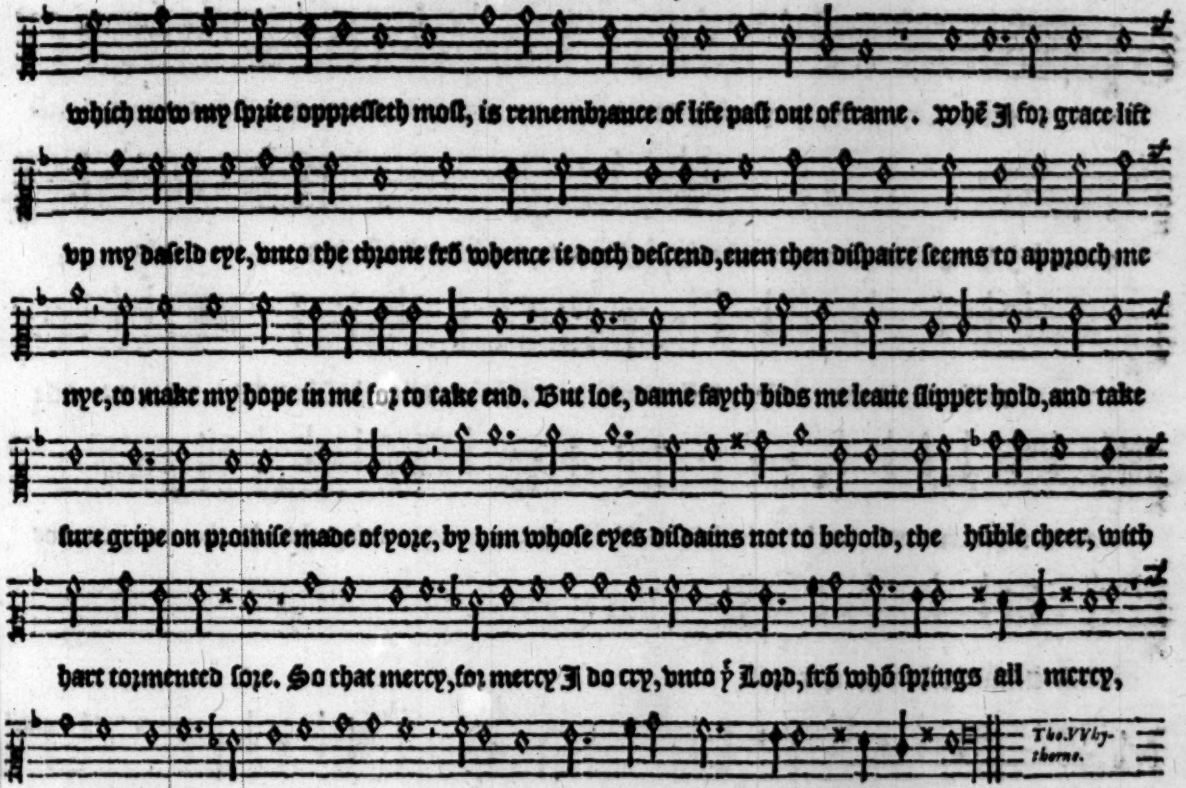
which now my sprite oppresseth most, is remembrance of life past out of frame. Whē I for grace lift
vp my daseld eye, vnto the throne frō whence it doth descend, euen then dispaire seems to approch me
nye, to make my hope in me for to take end. But loe, dame fayth bids me leaue slipper hold, and take
sure gripe on promise made of yore, by him whose eyes disdains not to behold, the hūble cheer, with
hart tormented sore. So that mercy, for mercy I do cry, vnto ye Lord, frō whō springs all mercy,

so that mercy, for mercy I do cry, vnto the Lord, from whom springs all mercy.

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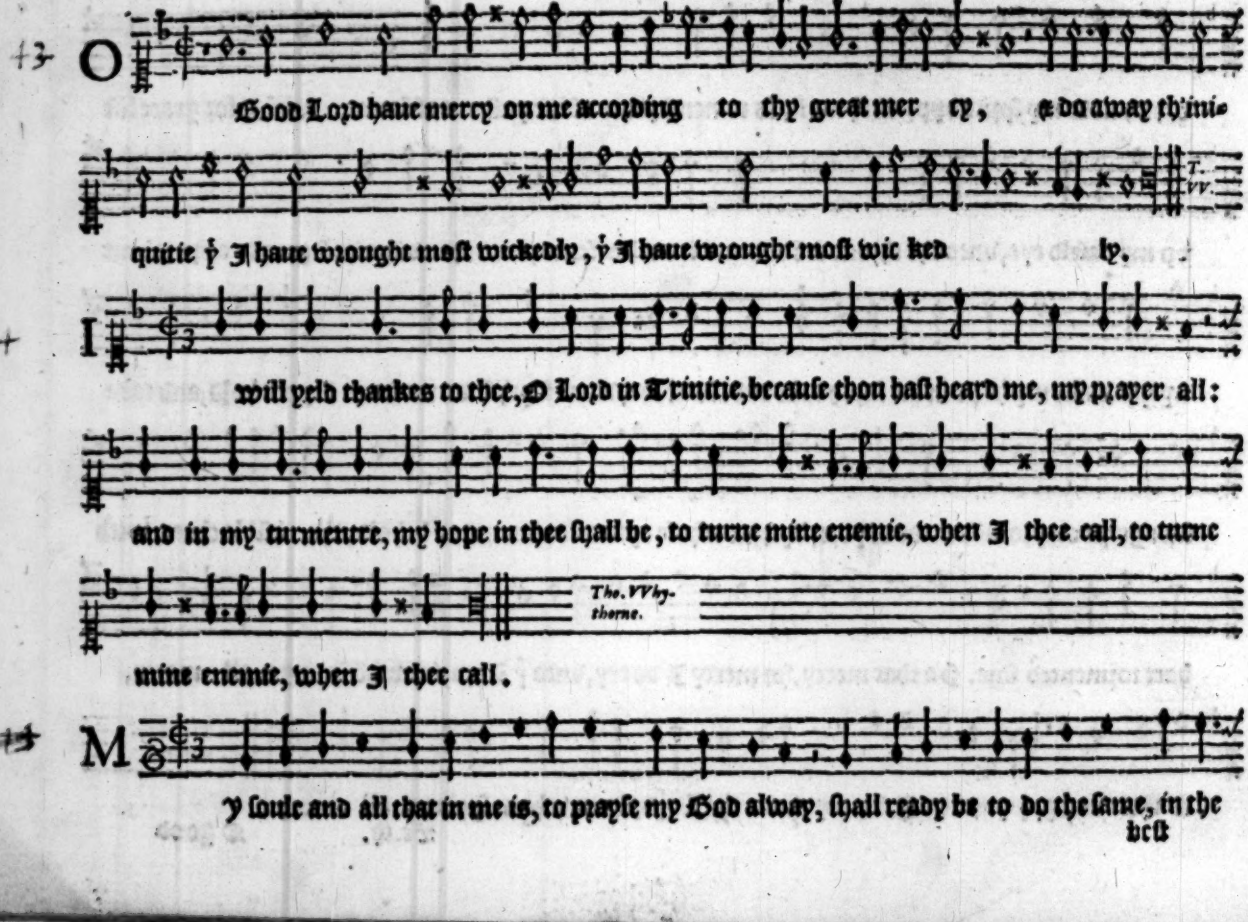
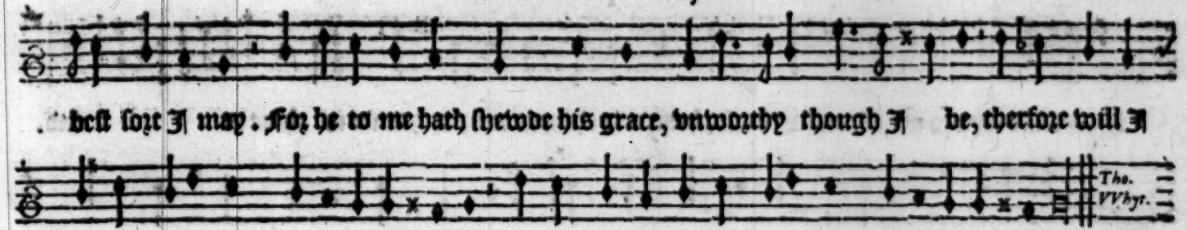
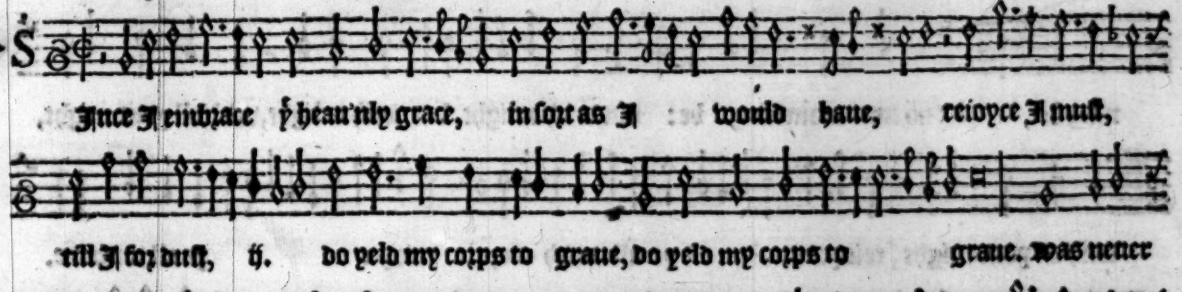

O
Good Lord haue mercy on me according to thy great mer cy, & do away th'ini-
quitie ẏ I haue wrought most wickedly, ẏ I haue wrought most wic ked ly.
I
will yeld thankes to thee, O Lord in Trinitie, because thou hast heard me, my prayer all:
and in my turmentre, my hope in thee shall be, to turne mine enemie, when I thee call, to turne
The. VVhy-
therne.
mine enemie, when I thee call.
M
y soule and all that in me is, to prayse my God alway, shall ready be to do the same, in the
best


best sort I may. For he to me hath shewde his grace, vnworthy though I be, therfore will I
Tho. Whyt.
set forth his prayse, to all of ech degree, therfore will I set forth his prayse, to all of ech degree.


Since I embrace ỹ heau'nly grace, in sort as I would haue, reioyce I must,
till I for dust, ij. do yeld my corps to graue, do yeld my corps to graue. Was neuer
none, did sigh & mone, I thinke more oft then I, for deep dispaire, me did empaire, confolding me
well nye, confolding me well nye, But then Gods grace, appeard in place, putting back that fonle

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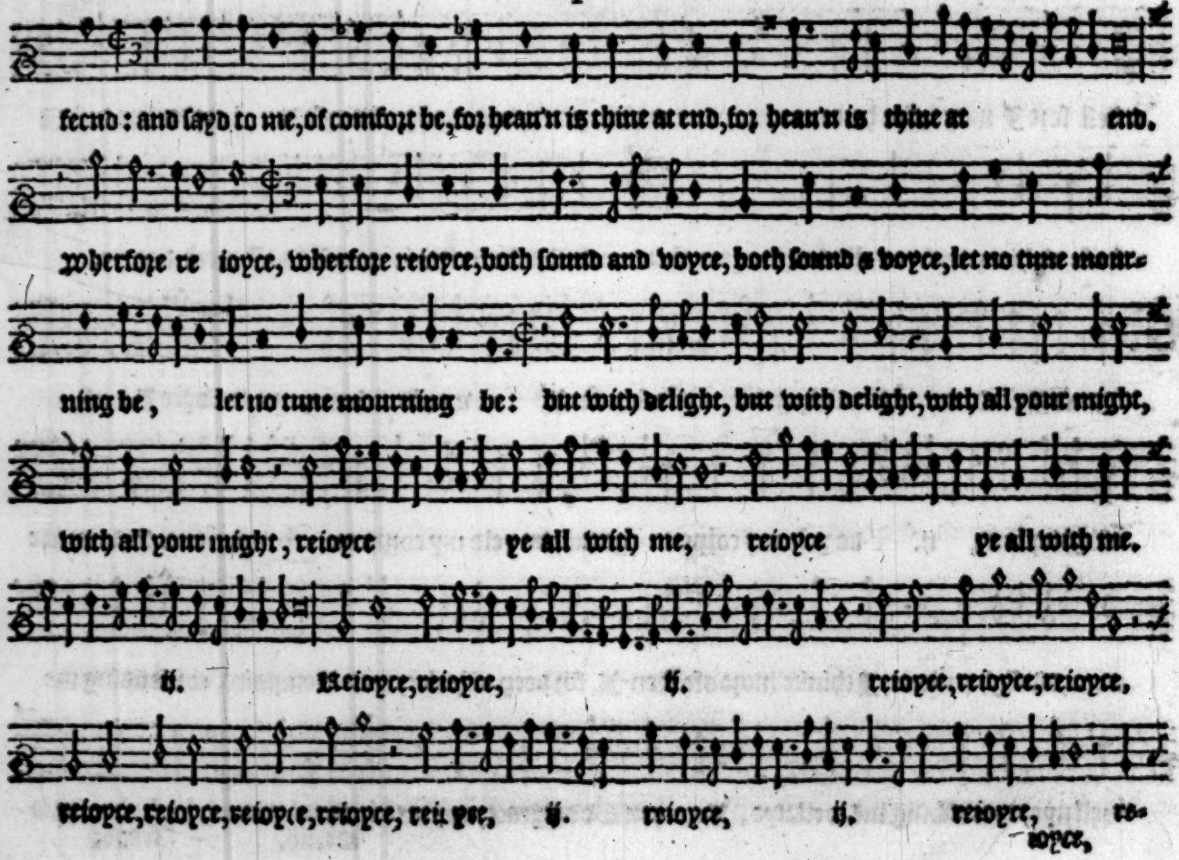
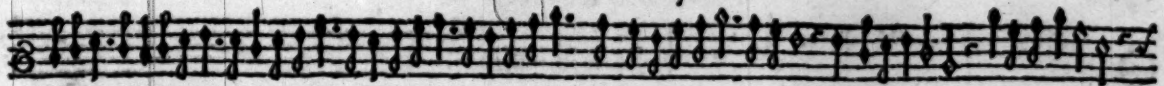
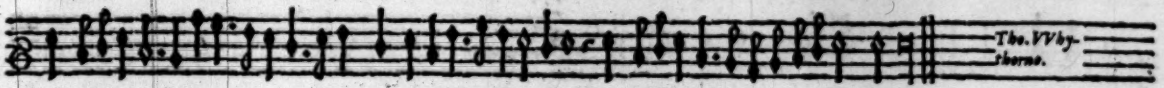

fecnd: and layd to me, of comfort be, for heau'n is thine at end, for heau'n is thine at end.
Wherfore re ioyce, wherfore reioyce, both sound and voyce, both sound & voyce, let no tune mour-
ning be, let no tune mourning be: but with delight, but with delight, with all your might,
with all your might, reioyce ye all with me, reioyce ye all with me.
ij. Reioyce, reioyce, ij. reioyce, reioyce, reioyce,
reioyce, reioyce, reioyce, reioyce, reioyce, ij. reioyce, ij. reioyce, re-
joyce,


ioyce, ꝯ. reioyce, reioyce, reioyce,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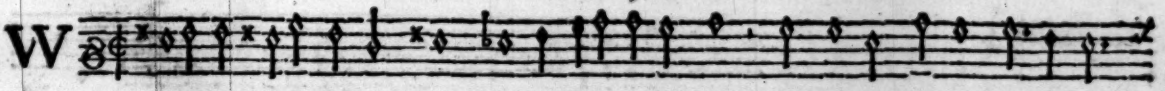
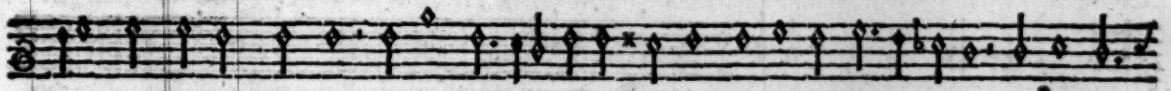
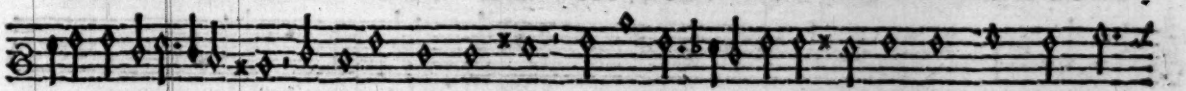

WHen I remember of this world, what I therein do know, how all the pleasures of the same,


but vaine in th'end do grow. O Lord say I happy they be, who ye dooſt enter taine, for they shal


e uerlasting ly, in perfect ioyes remaine: O Lord say I happy they be, who thou dooſt en-
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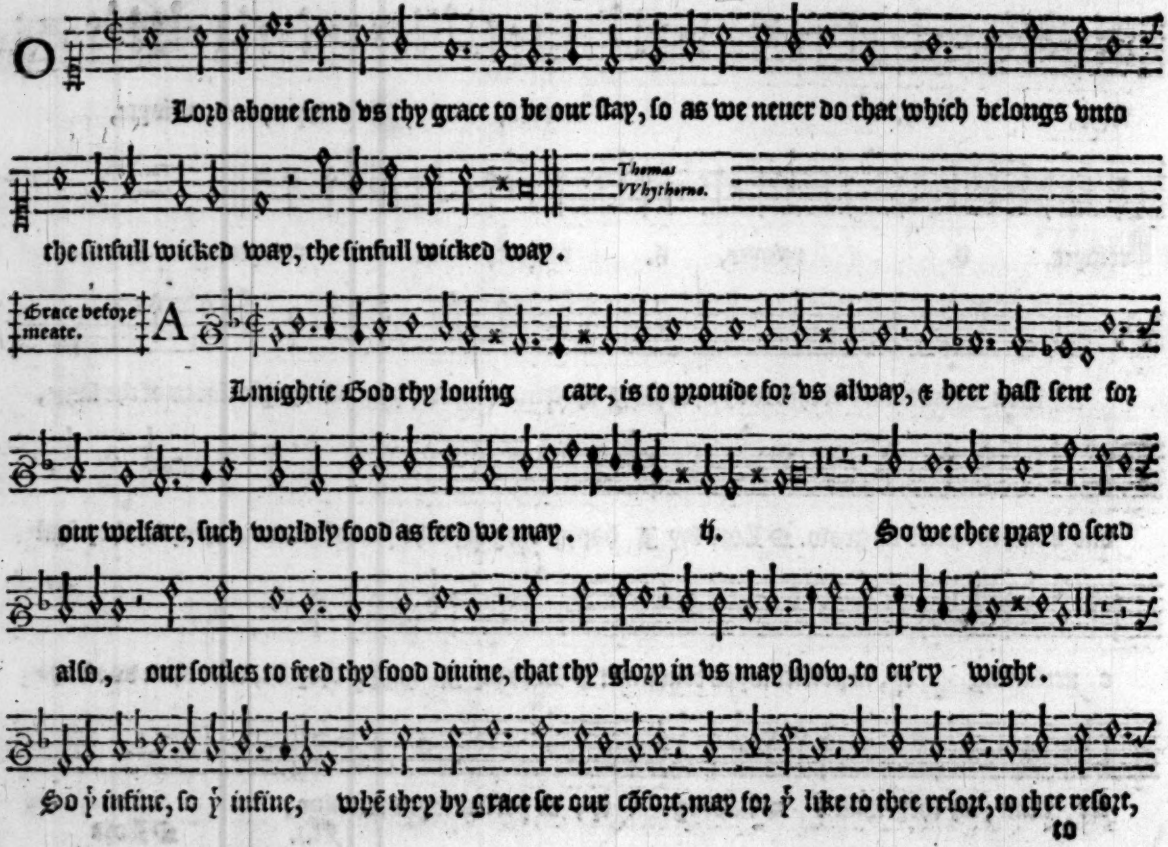
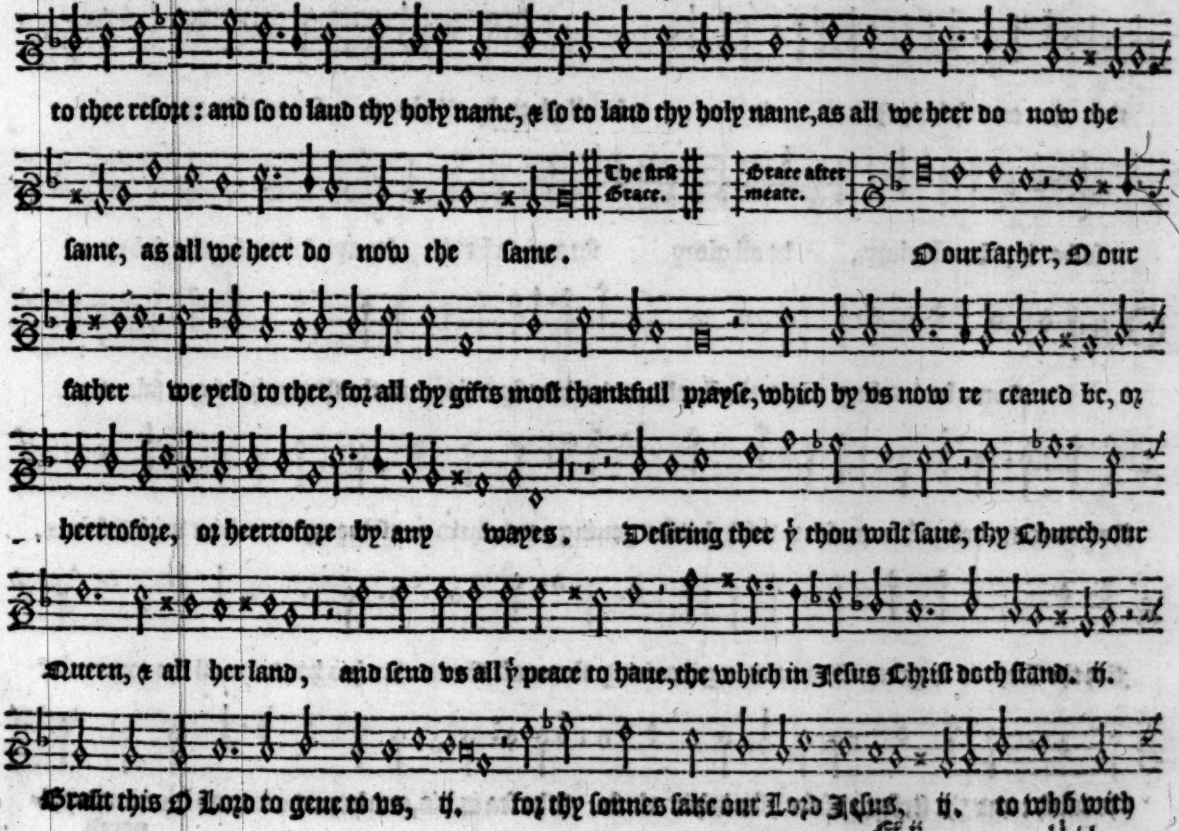
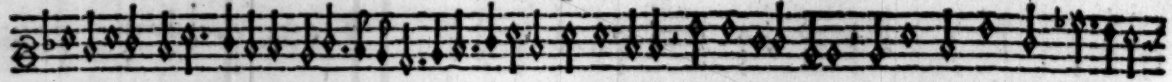
ter taine, for they shall e uerlasting ly, in perfect ioyes remaine.

Grace before meate. Triplex.

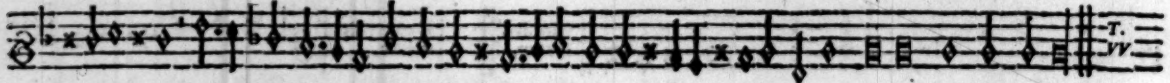



to thee resort: and so to laud thy holy name, & so to laud thy holy name, as all we heer do now the
The first Grace.
Grace after meate.
same, as all we heer do now the same.
O our father, O our
father we yeld to thee, for all thy gifts most thankfull prayse, which by vs now re ceaued be, or
heertofore, or heertofore by any wayes.
Desiring thee ỳ thou wilt saue, thy Church, our
Queen, & all her land, and send vs all ỳ peace to haue, the which in Iesus Christ doth stand. ij.
Graūt this O Lord to geue to vs, ij. for thy sonnes sake our Lord Iesus, ij. to whō with

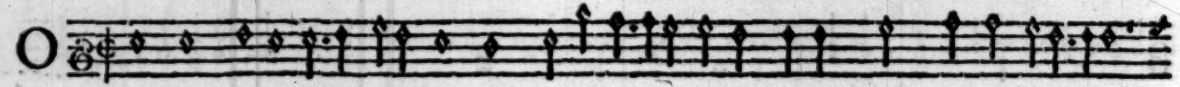
Pſalme. 95. Triplex.



thee ℣. and th'holy ſpyte, ℣. be all glory, be all glo ry for aye, for aye, for aye,

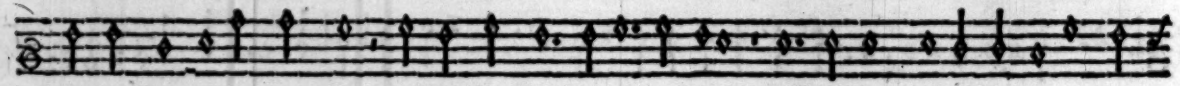


ſo be it, be all glory, be all glory for aye, ſo be it, for aye, ſobeit, for aye, ſobeit.

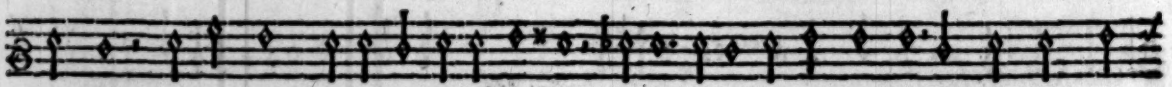


O Come let vs ſing vnto the Lord: let vs hartily reioyce in the ſtrength of our ſaluation.

Let vs come before his preſence with thanks geuing: and ſhew our ſelues glad in him with Pſalms.

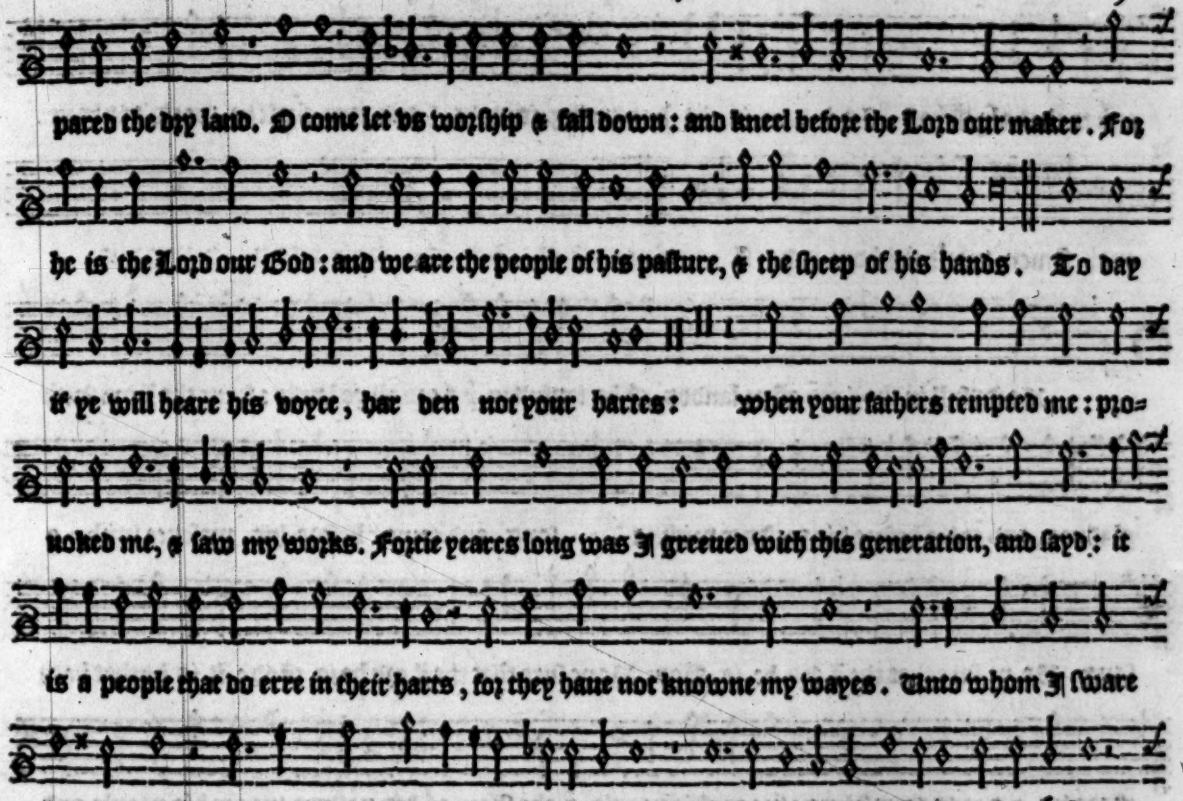


For the Lord is a great God: and a great king aboue all Gods. In his hand are all the corners of



the earth: and the ſtrēgth of the hils is his al ſo. The ſea is his, and he made it: and his hands pre-

pared


pared the dry land. O come let vs worſhip & fall down: and kneel before the Lord our maker. For
he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his paſture, & the ſheep of his hands. To day
if ye will heare his voyce, har den not your hartes: when your fathers tempted me: pro-
voked me, & ſaw my works. Fortie yeares long was I greeued with this generation, and ſayd: it
is a people that do erre in their harts, for they haue not knowne my wayes. Vnto whom I ſware
in my wrath: that they ſhould not enter into my reſt. Glory be to the father, and to ỹ ſonne,

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and to the holy Ghoſt. As it was in the beginning, is now, and euer ſhall be, world without

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end, Amen, world without end, A men.

O Be ioyfull in the Lord all ye landes, O be ioyfull in ẏ Lord all ye lands: ſerue the Lord with

gladnes, and come before his preſence with a ſong, and come before his preſence with a

ſong. Be ye ſure that the Lord he is God. Be ye ſure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath

made vs, & not we our ſelues: we are his people, & the ſheep of his paſture, we are his people, and

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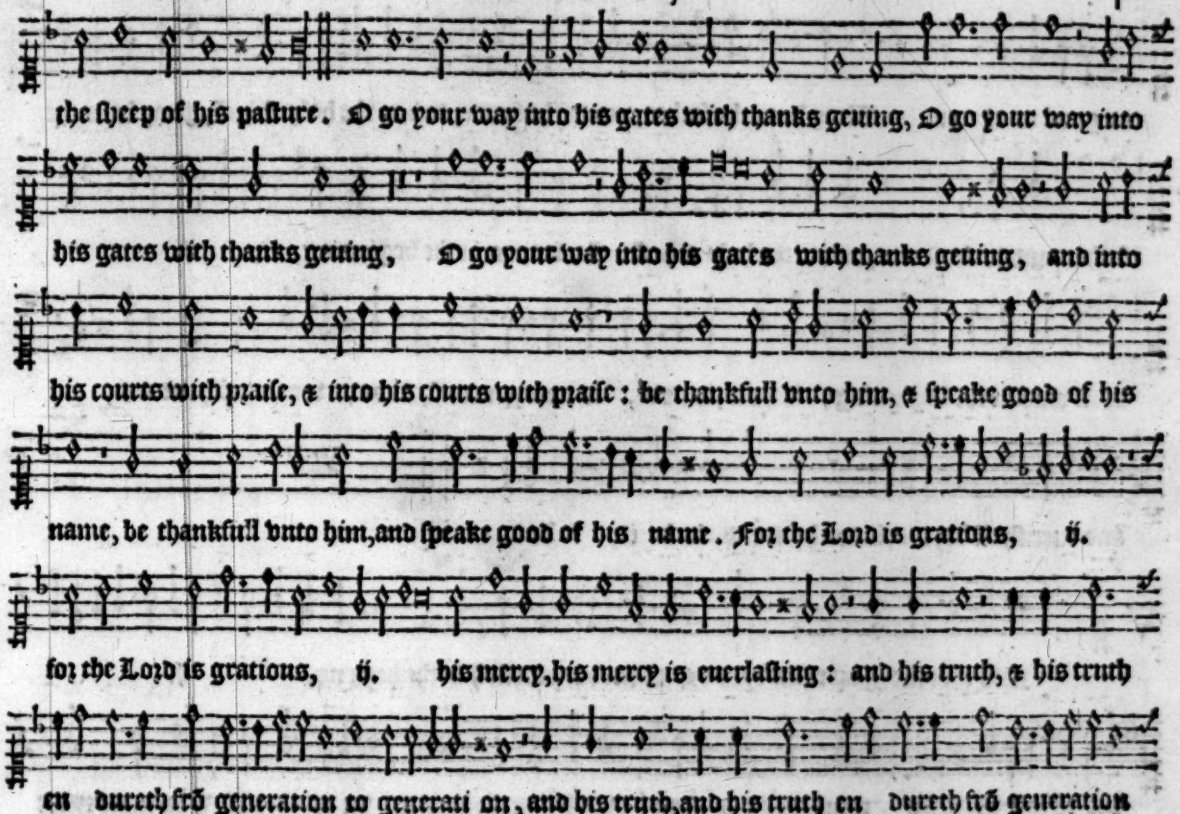
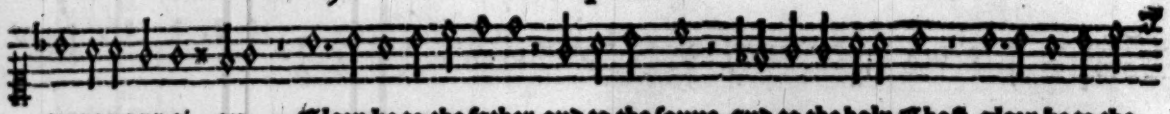
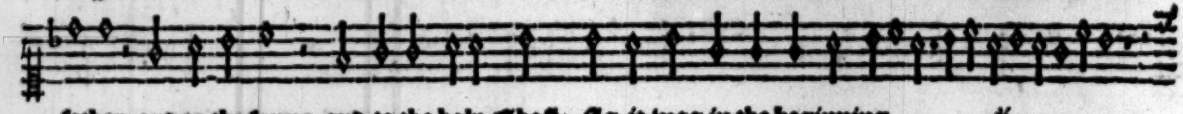
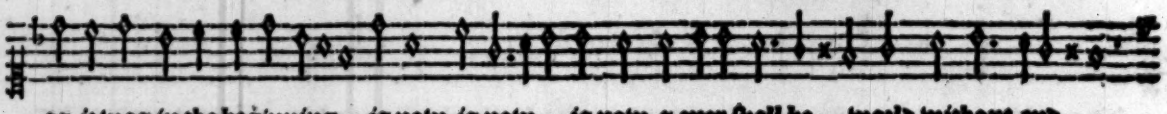
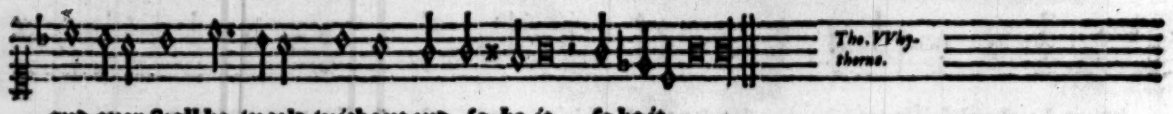

the ſheep of his paſture. O go your way into his gates with thanks geuing, O go your way into
his gates with thanks geuing, O go your way into his gates with thanks geuing, and into
his courts with praiſe, & into his courts with praiſe: be thankfull vnto him, & ſpeake good of his
name, be thankfull vnto him, and ſpeake good of his name. For the Lord is gratious, ij.
for the Lord is gratious, ij. his mercy, his mercy is euerlaſting: and his truth, & his truth
en dureth frō generation to generati on, and his truth, and his truth en dureth frō generation


to ge ne ra ti on. Glory be to the father, and to the ſonne, and to the holy Ghoſt, glory be to the


father, and to the ſonne, and to the holy Ghoſt. As it was in the beginning, ij.


as it was in the beginning, is now, is now, is now, & euer ſhall be, world without end,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and euer ſhall be, world without end, ſo be it, ſo be it.

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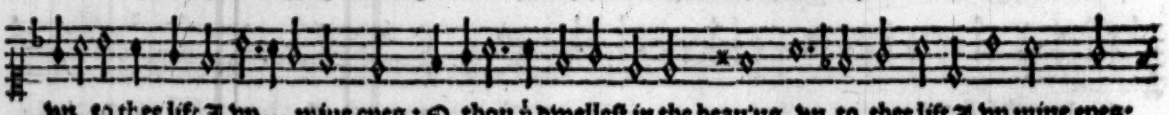
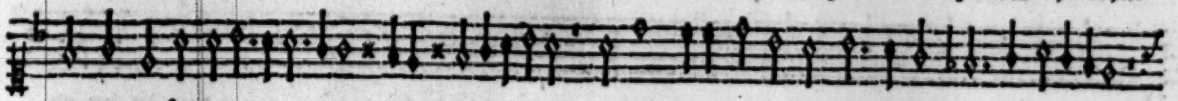
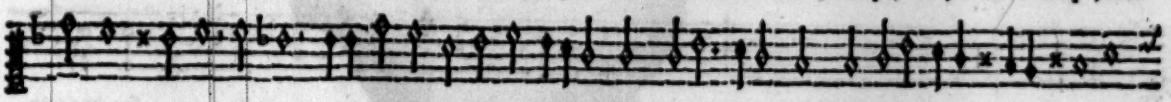
V Nto thee lift I vp mine eyes: O thou that dwelleſt in the heau'ns, ij.

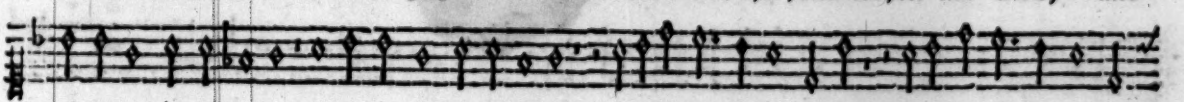

vn to thee lift I vp mine eyes: O thou y dwelleſt in the heau'ns, vn to thee lift I vp mine eyes:
O thou

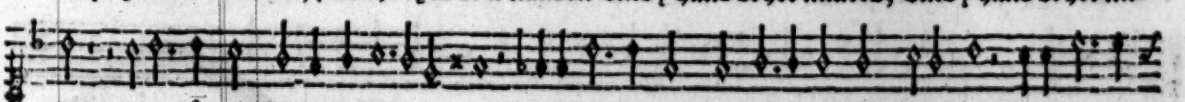
O thou ẏ dwellest in ẏ heau'ns, ℣. vn to thee lift I vp mine eyes: O thou that


dwellest in ẏ heau'ns. ℣. Behold, euen as ẏ eyes of seruantes, ℣.

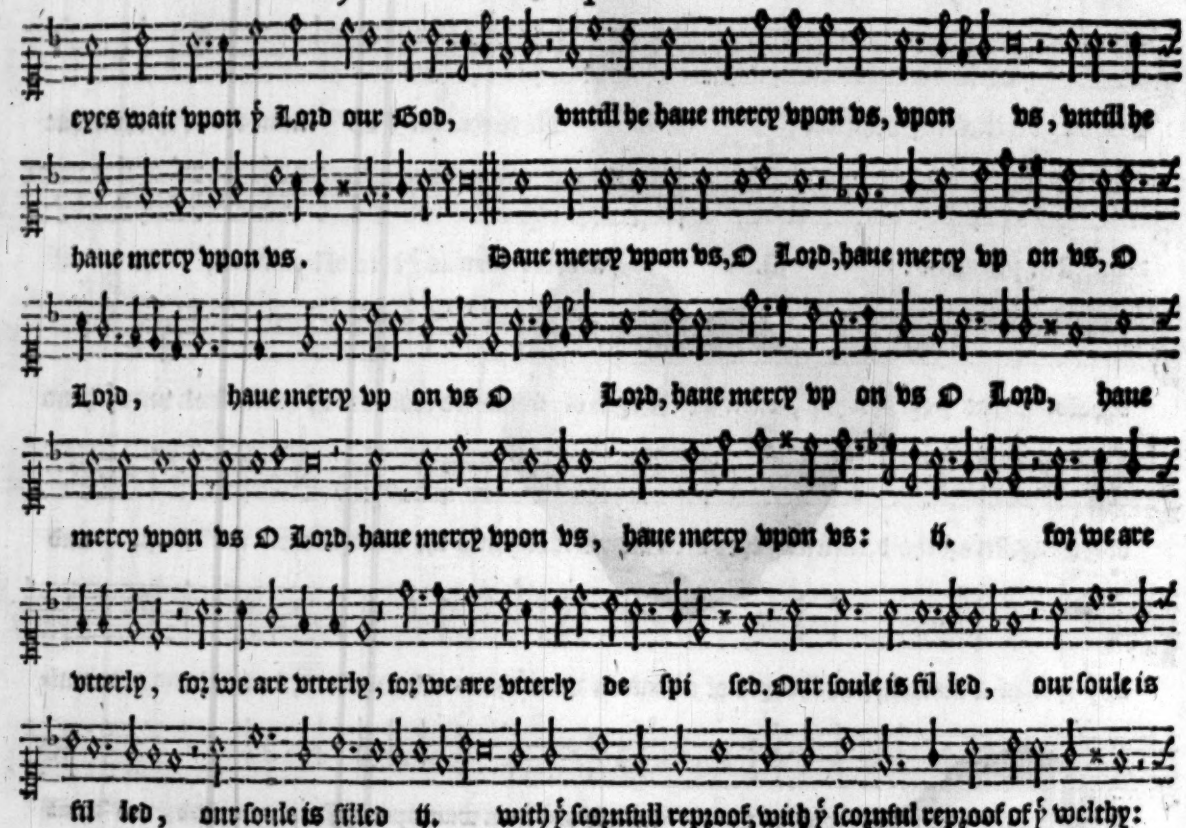
behold, euen as ẏ eyes, behold, euen as the eyes of seruantes look vnto ẏ hand, look vnto ẏ hand


of their maſters, behold, euen as ẏ eyes of seruantes look vnto the hand of their ma ſters, and


as ẏ eyes of a maiden, ſo as the eyes of a maiden vnto ẏ hand of her miſtres, vnto ẏ hand of her mi-


ſtres, vnto ẏ hand of her miſtres: euen ſo our eyes wait vpon ẏ Lord our God, euen ſo our

Pſalme. 123. Triplex.



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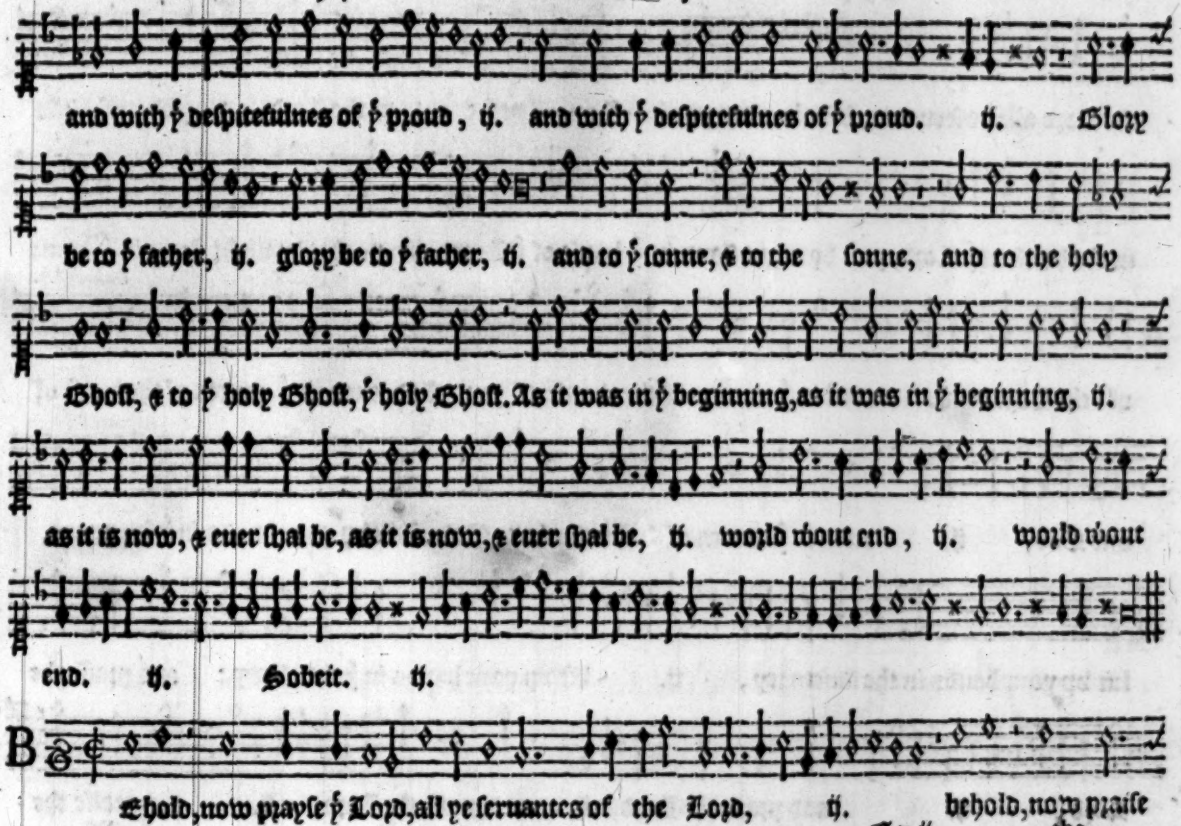
and with ỹ deſpiteſulnes of ỹ proud, ℣. and with ỹ deſpiteſulnes of ỹ proud. ℣. Glory
be to ỹ father, ℣. glory be to ỹ father, ℣. and to ỹ ſonne, & to the ſonne, and to the holy
Ghoſt, & to ỹ holy Ghoſt, ỹ holy Ghoſt. As it was in ỹ beginning, as it was in ỹ beginning, ℣.
as it is now, & euer ſhal be, as it is now, & euer ſhal be, ℣. worlde wout end, ℣. worlde wout
end. ℣. Sobeit. ℣.
B Ehold, now prayſe ỹ Lord, all ye ſeruantes of the Lord, ℣. behold, now praiſe
Gg.℣. the

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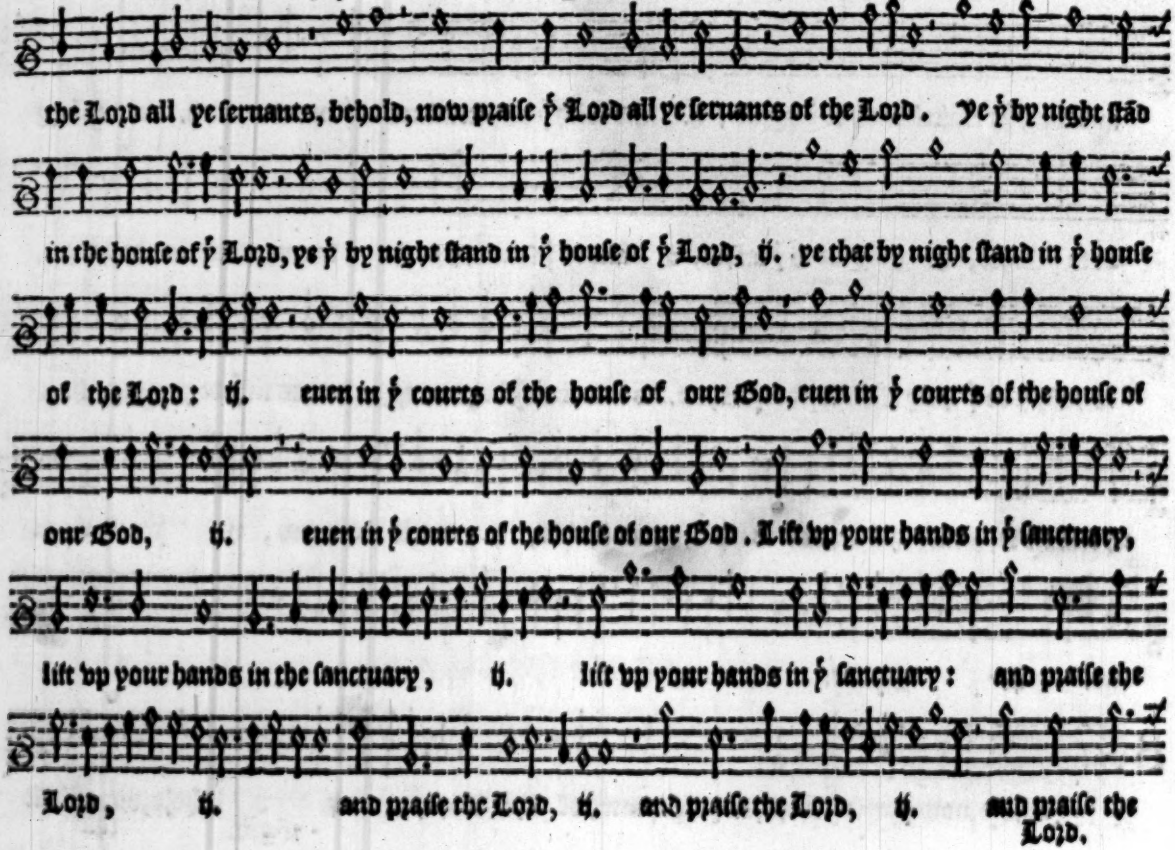

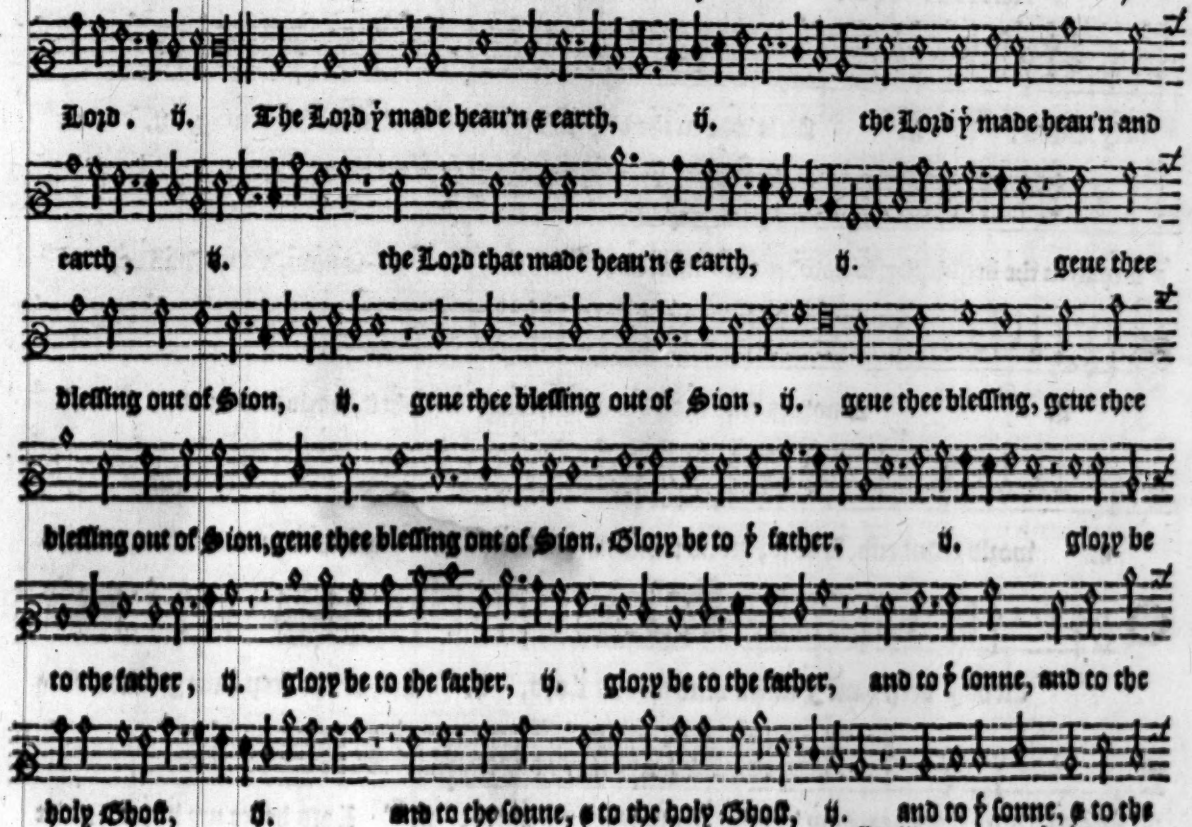
Lord. ℣. The Lord ỹ made heau'n & earth, ℣. the Lord ỹ made heau'n and
earth, ℣. the Lord that made heau'n & earth, ℣. gene thee
bleſſing out of Sion, ℣. gene thee bleſſing out of Sion, ℣. gene thee bleſſing, gene thee
bleſſing out of Sion, gene thee bleſſing out of Sion. Glory be to ỹ father, ℣. glory be
to the father, ℣. glory be to the father, ℣. glory be to the father, and to ỹ ſonne, and to the
holy Ghoſt, ℣. and to the ſonne, & to the holy Ghoſt, ℣. and to ỹ ſonne, & to the

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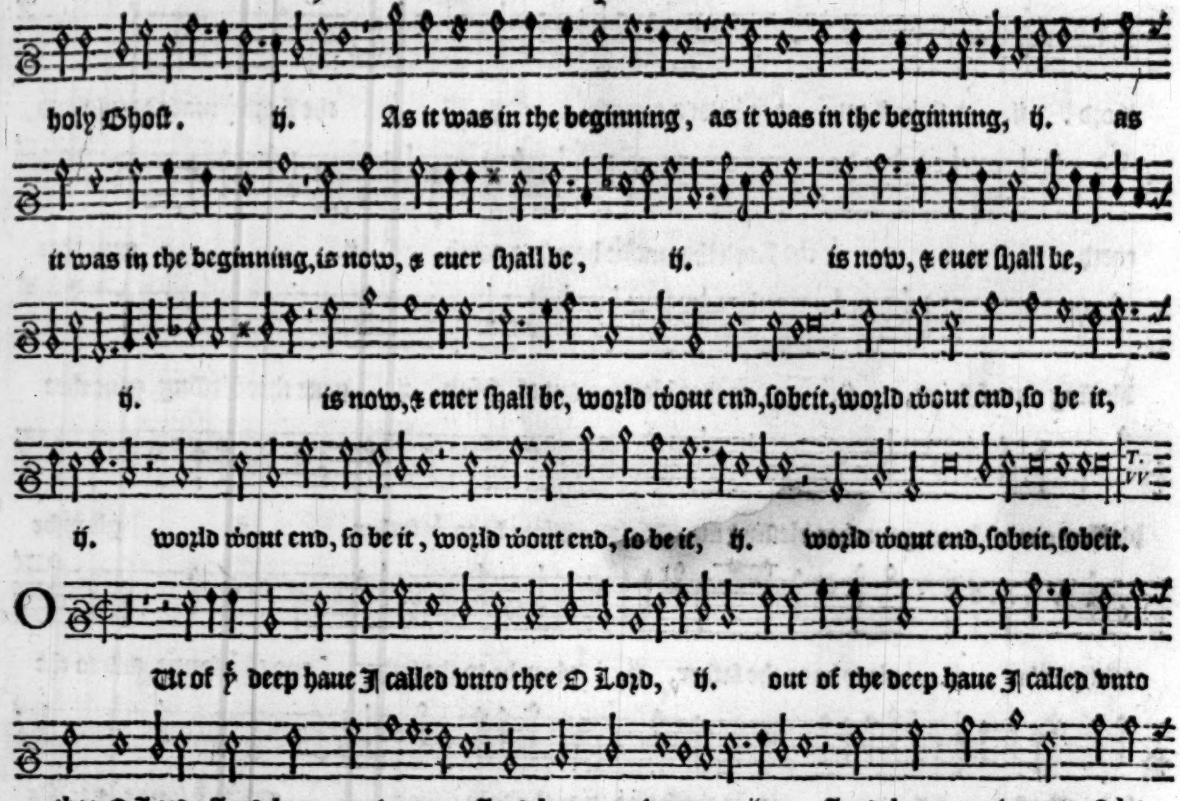

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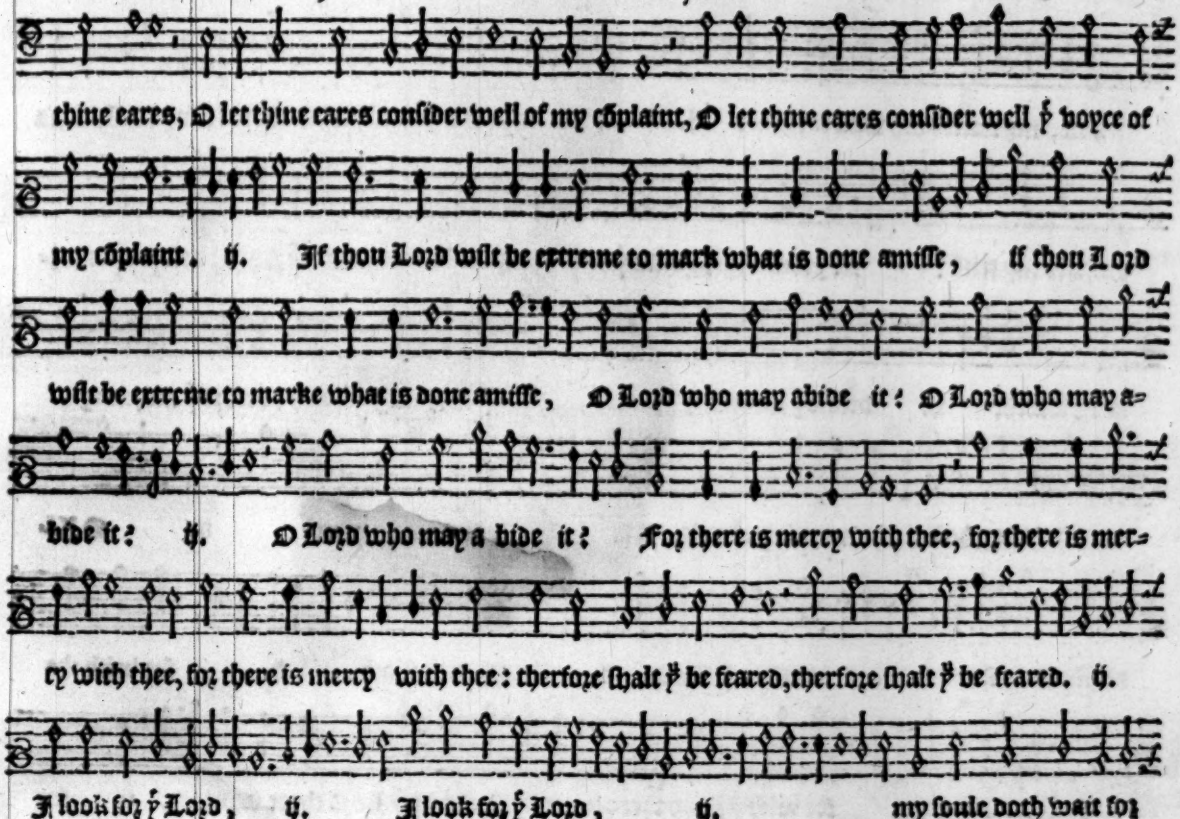
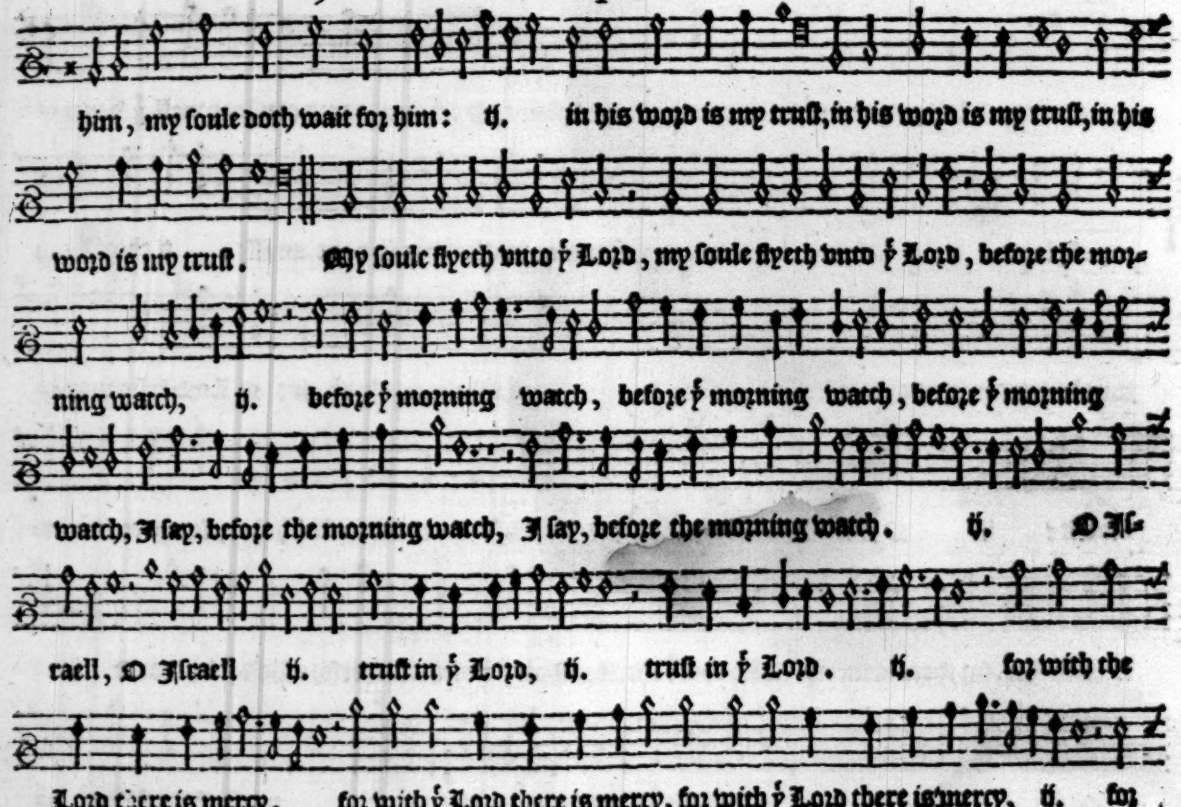
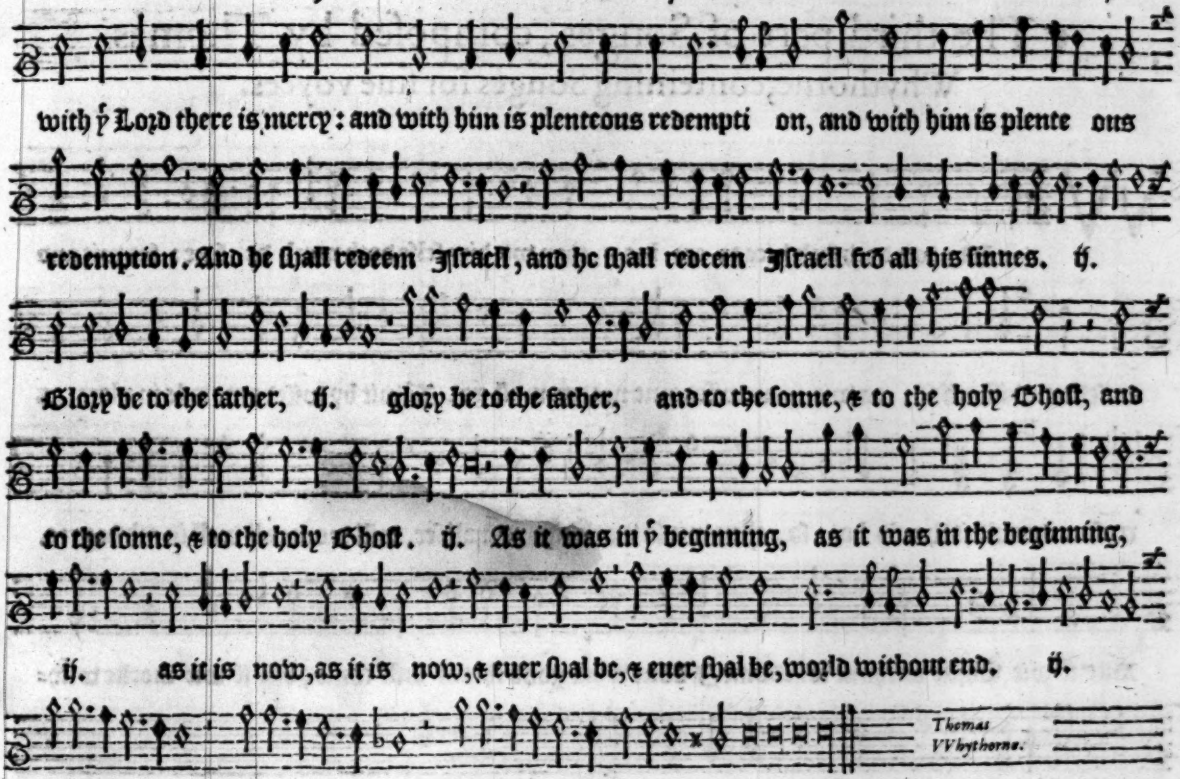

thine eares, O let thine eares conſider well of my cõplaint, O let thine eares conſider well ẏ voyce of
my cõplaint. ỹ. If thou Lord wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiſſe, if thou Lord
wilt be extreme to marke what is done amiſſe, O Lord who may abide it: O Lord who may a-
bide it: ỹ. O Lord who may a bide it: For there is mercy with thee, for there is mer-
cy with thee, for there is mercy with thee: therfore ſhalt ẏ be feared, therfore ſhalt ẏ be feared. ỹ.
I look for ẏ Lord, ỹ. I look for ẏ Lord, ỹ, my ſoule doth wait for

Pſalme. 130. Triplex.



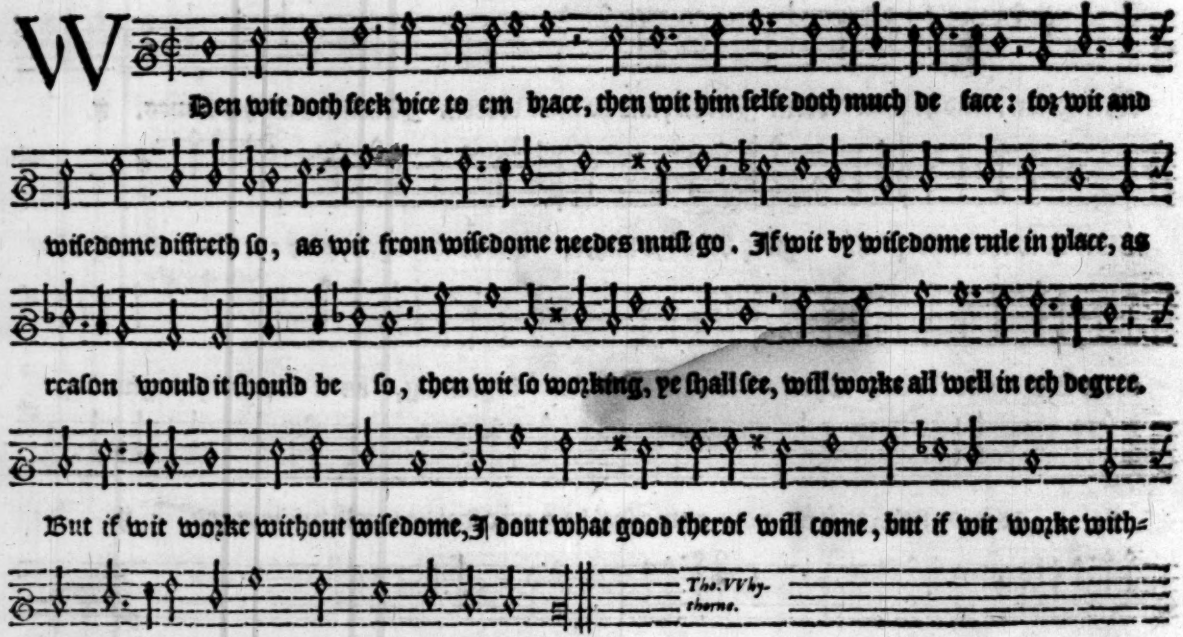


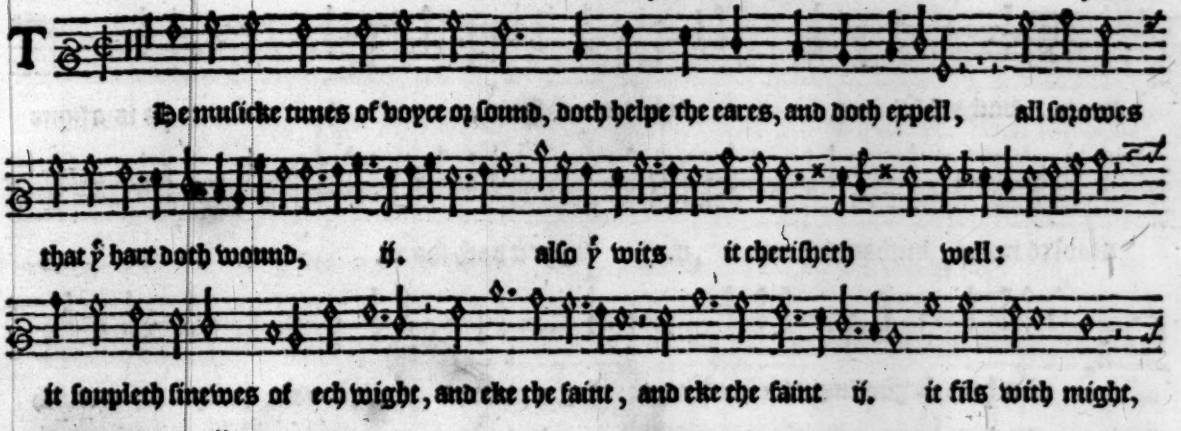
Hh.j. ¶The

℄ The end of the ſecond part.

Triplex.

¶ The third part of Songes, compoſed by Thomas Whythorne, conteining Songes for fiue voyces.




T
De mulicke tunes of voyce or ſound, doth helpe the eares, and doth expell, all ſorowes
that ỹ hart doth wound, ij. alſo ỹ wits it cheriſheth well:
it ſoupleth ſinewes of ech wight, and eke the faint, and eke the faint ij. it fils with might,
Tho. VVby-therne.
it fils with might.
A
S tis a ſigne of per ſons graue, patiently to beare th'unkinde parts, v ſed
to thē by ſuch as haue, by frendly proof known their true harts: ſo is a ſigne a fool to
Hh.ij. know,

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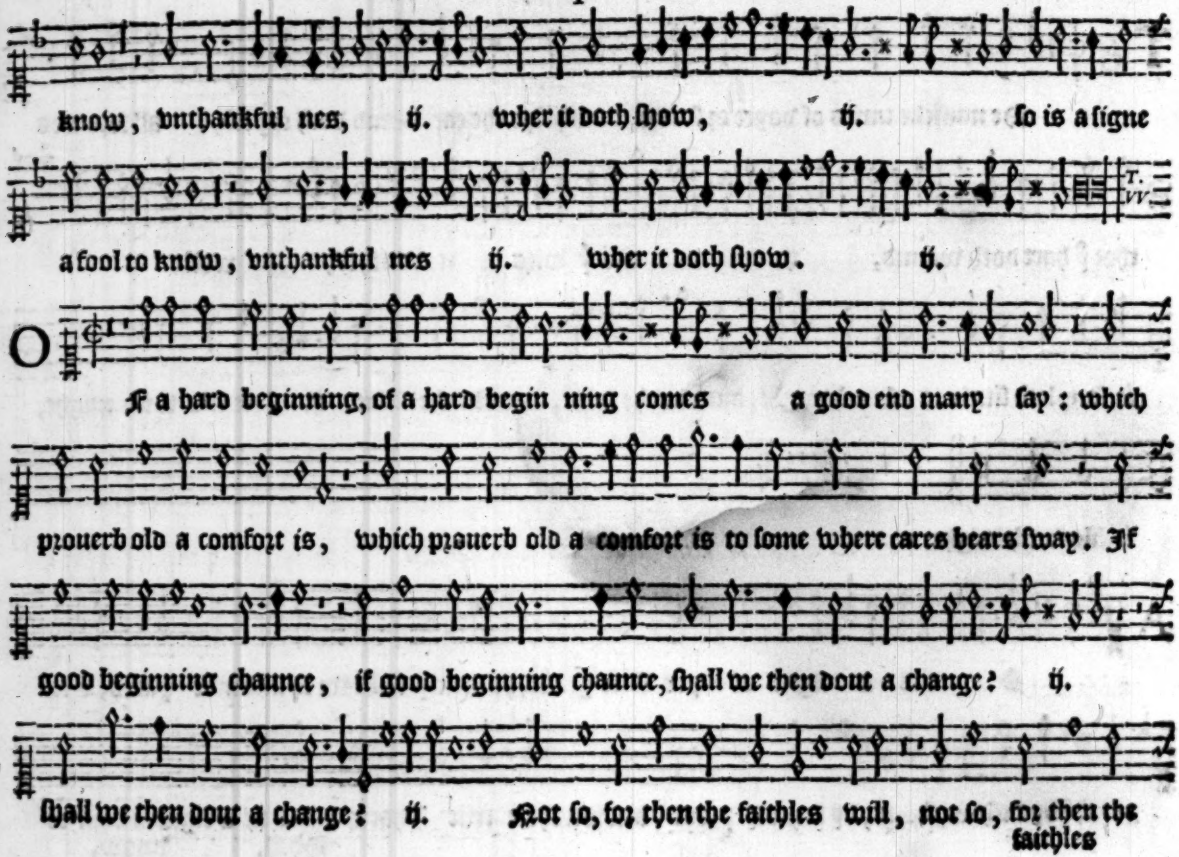

know, vnthankful nes, ij. wher it doth show, ij. so is a signe
a fool to know, vnthankful nes ij. wher it doth show. ij.
T. VV.
O F a hard beginning, of a hard begin ning comes a good end many say: which
prouerb old a comfort is, which prouerb old a comfort is to some where cares bears sway. If
good beginning chaunce, if good beginning chaunce, shall we then dout a change? ij.
shall we then dout a change? ij. Not so, for then the faithles will, not so, for then the faithles

faithles will, not ſo, for then the faithles will, frō good nes, from goodnes ſoon eſtrange.

Of a hard beginning, of a hard begin ning comes a good end many ſay.

Thomas Whythorne.

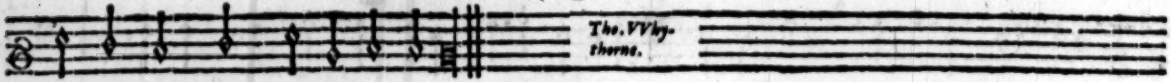
ij.

T Be pleaſant and the gentle ſpeech, where countnaunce like doth ſhow, court'ous behauiour

and geſture, where maners milde do grow. Of all things in abſence to make the beſt with good

repoꝛt, doth winne and keep faythfull frendſhip, where reaſon doth reſoꝛt, doth winne and keep faith-

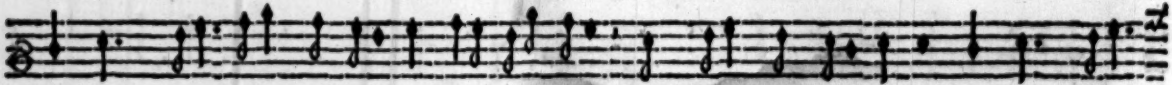
Triplex.



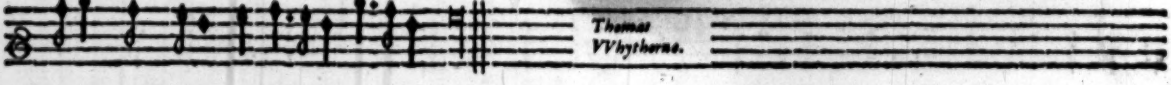
full frendshyp, where reason doth resort.

The haughtines of some but base, whose outward show seems of some port, takes on

them as they were in case, for to countnaunce the higher sort: these would haue all to thē



be bound, and they from all free to be found, these would haue all to them be bound, and



they from all free to be found.

Haue not onely read, but eke by proof haue tride, how such who daily haunt their greaters

greaters compa ny, can not ſhun great offence on th'one or th' other ſide, wherfore happy

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are they, who ſuch an ill can flye.

NOthing is ſharper then low thinges, whē they by groth, ij. when they by groth

ij. on hye be brought, ij. on hye be brought, on hye be brought: ſo none in pride,

ſo none in pride, ij. ſo none ij. in pride and cru el tie, ij. are like to ſome

who riſe of nought, ſo none in pride, ſo none in pride, ij. ſo none ij. in

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pride and cru eltie, ij. are like to some who rise of nought, who rise of nought.

I N weale & wo be patient, ij. in weale and wo be pa ti ent, in weale

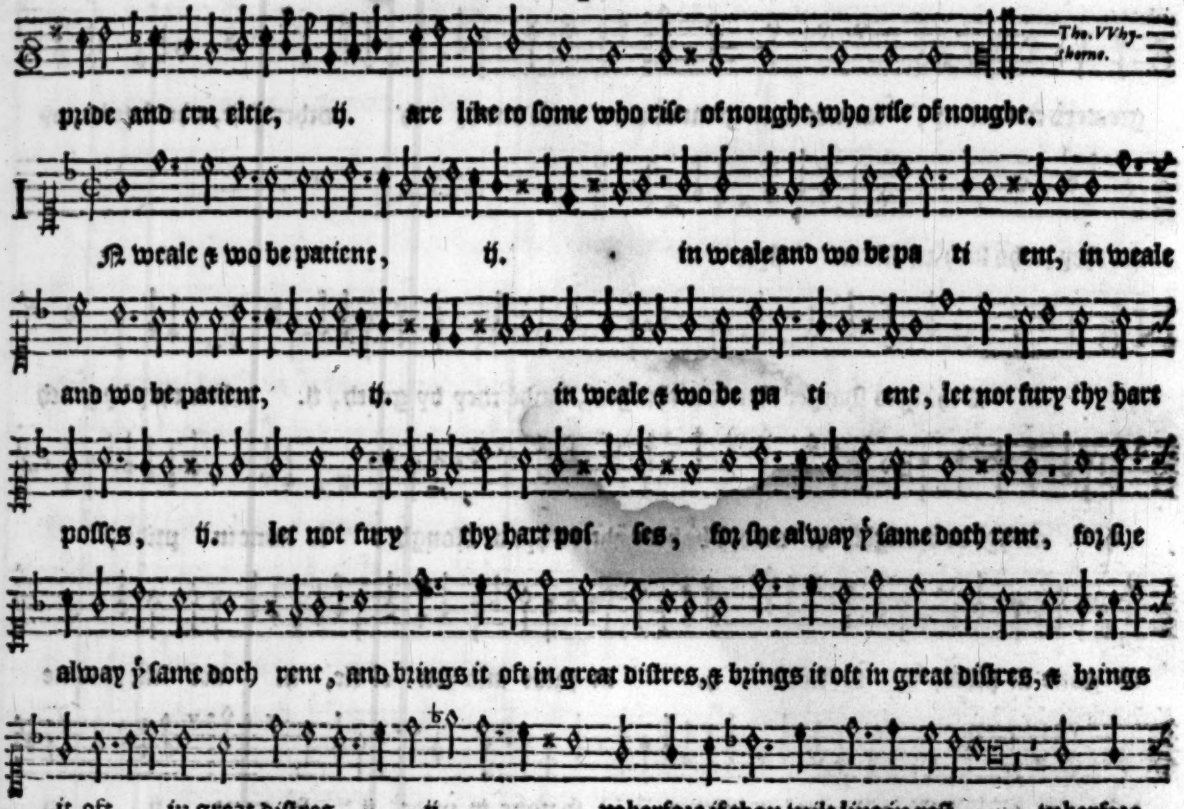
and wo be patient, ij. in weale & wo be pa ti ent, let not fury thy hart

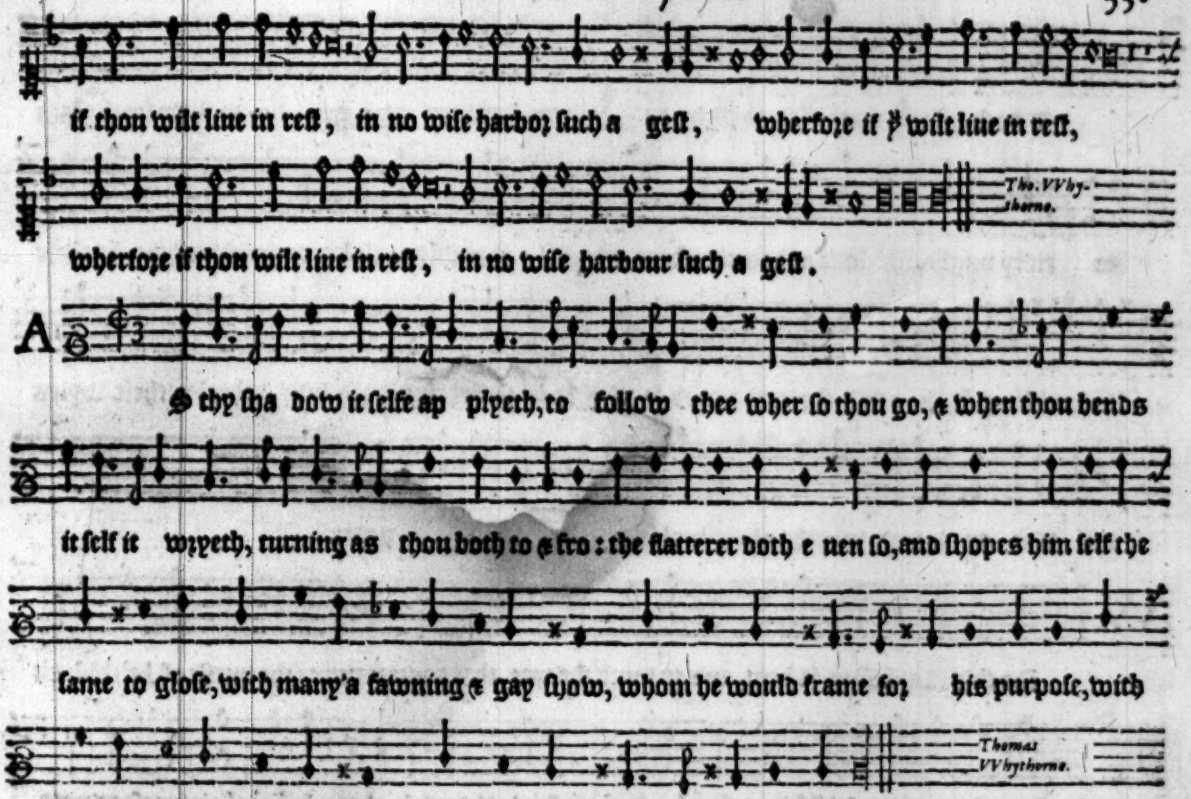
posses, ij. let not fury thy hart pos ses, for she alway ye same doth rent, for she

alway ye same doth rent, and brings it oft in great distres, & brings it oft in great distres, & brings

it oft in great distres, ij. wherfore if thou wilt liue in rest, wherfore

if thou




if thou wilt liue in reſt, in no wiſe harbor ſuch a geſt, wherfore if ꝑ wilt liue in reſt,
Tho. VVhy-
therne.
wherfore if thou wilt liue in reſt, in no wiſe harbour ſuch a geſt.
A
& thy ſha dow it ſelfe ap plyeth, to follow thee wher ſo thou go, & when thou bends
it ſelf it wryeth, turning as thou both to & fro: the flatterer doth e uen ſo, and ſhapes him ſelf the
ſame to gloſe, with many'a fawning & gay ſhow, whom he would frame for his purpoſe, with
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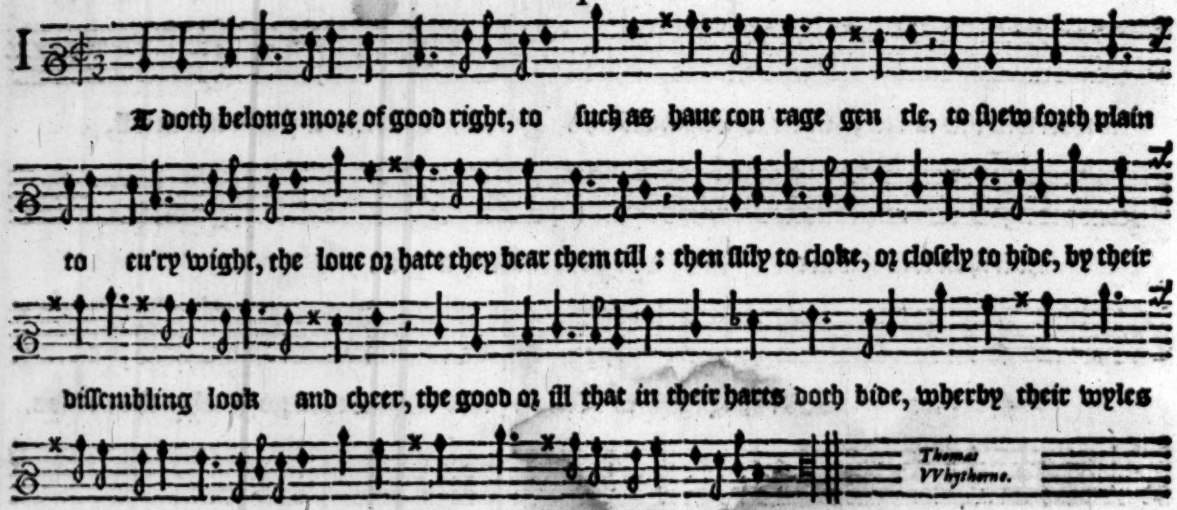
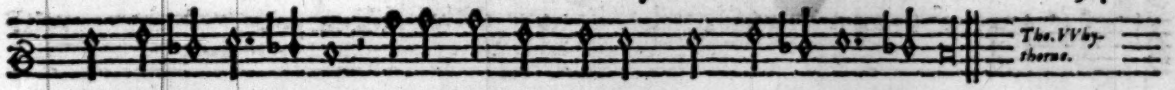
VVhytherne.
many'a fawning and gay ſhow, whom he would frame for his purpoſe.

Triplex.


I doth belong more of good right, to such as haue cou rage gen tle, to shew forth plain
to eu'ry wight, the loue or hate they bear them till : then slily to cloke, or closely to hide, by their
dissembling look and cheer, the good or ill that in their harts doth bide, wherby their wyles
Thomas Whythorne.
can not ap peare, wherby their wyles can not ap peare.
W
Ho that to quassing is bent, and to drink the rate, that dame nature (the nurse of helth) hath
thē forbod, the mastry of thē selues they loose, their strength doth so abate, beside their worse reward,
which



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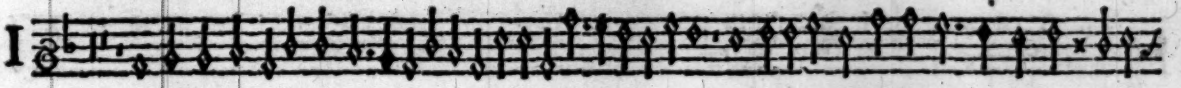

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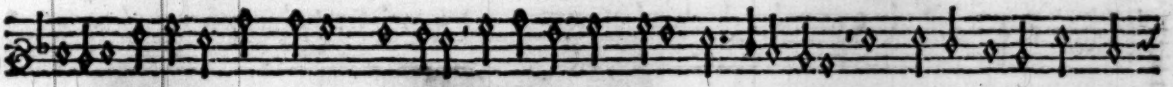

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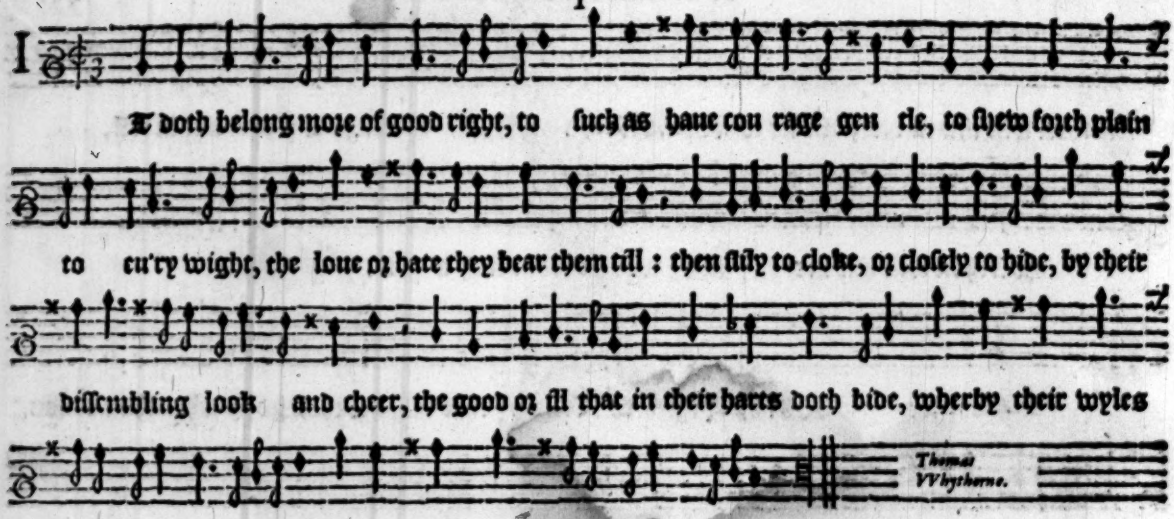

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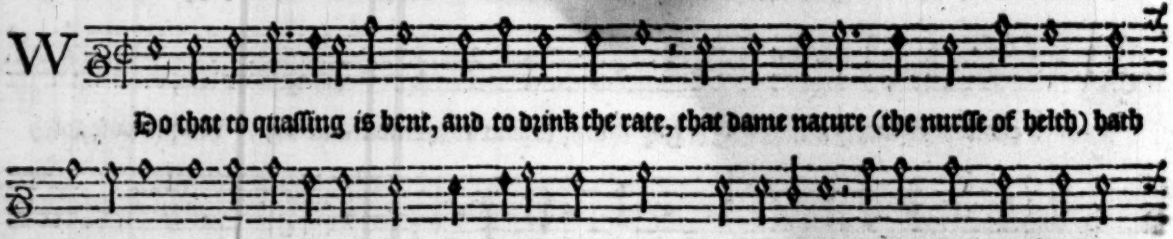

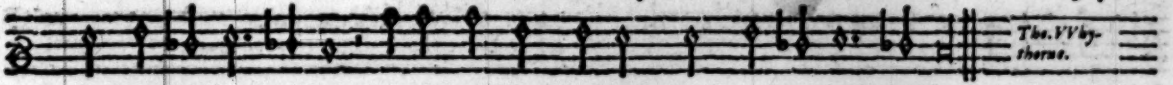

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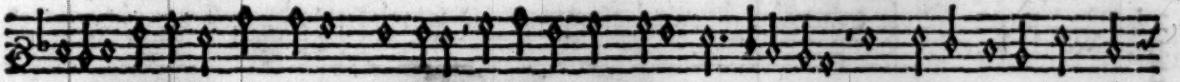

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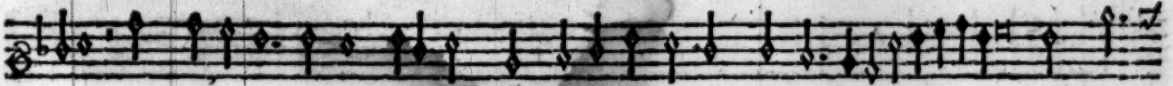

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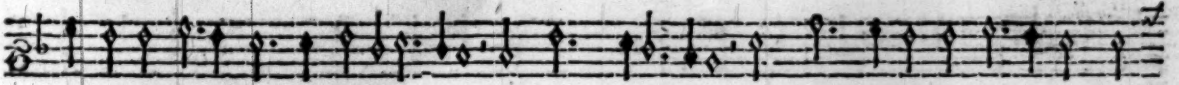

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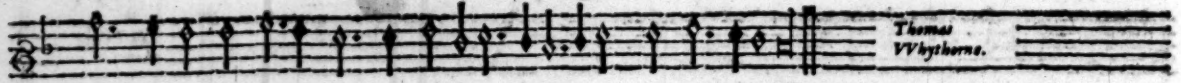

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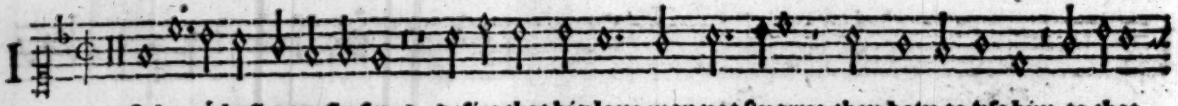

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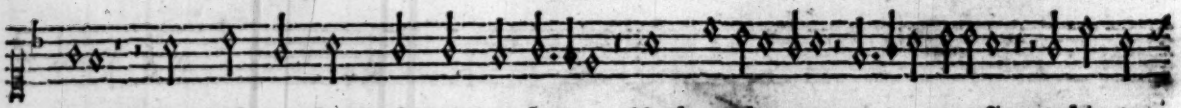
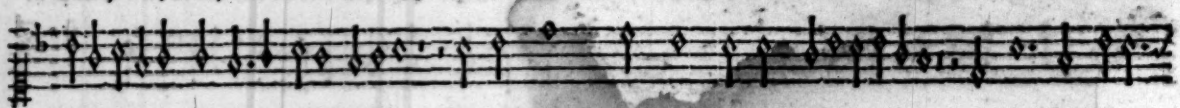
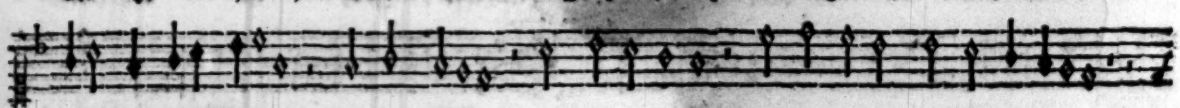


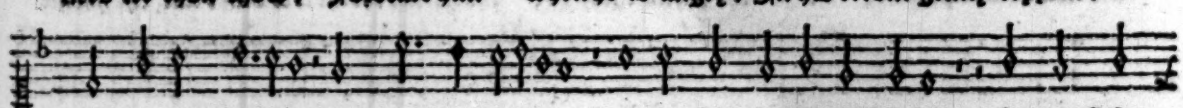
end, thou ſhalt now know thy turne to ſerue. Both gentle nes and curteſie, to him to



vſe ẏ̄. ſee that thou do. Let no rough ſpeech his patience try: ẏ̄. nor crooked ma-

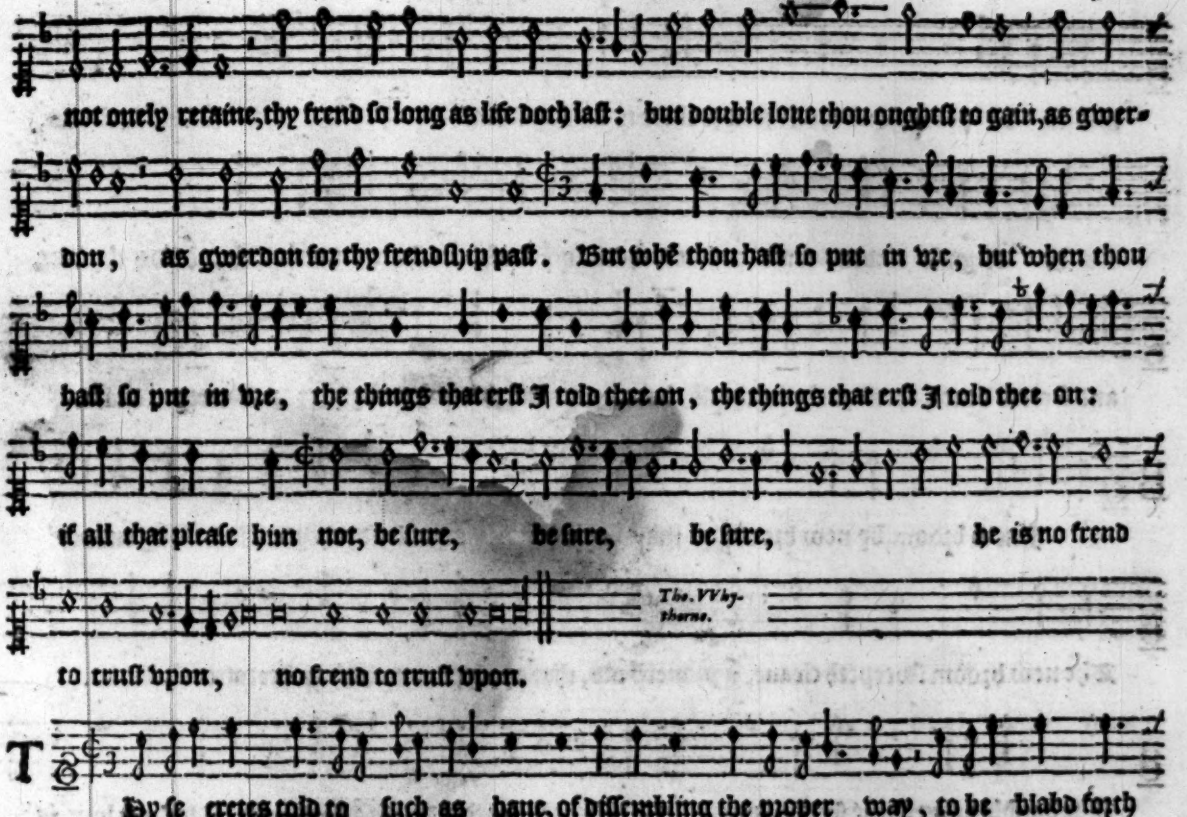


ners ſee thou ſhow. Forbeare him when he is angry. In his errour gently reprone.



when aduers chaunce doth touch him nye, comfort him then as doth behoue. So mayſt thou

not


not onely retaine, thy frend so long as life doth last: but double loue thou oughtst to gain, as gwer-
don, as gwerdon for thy frendship past. But whē thou hast so put in vre, but when thou
hast so put in vre, the things that erst I told thee on, the things that erst I told thee on:
if all that please him not, be sure, be sure, be sure, he is no frend
Tho. Whythorne.
to trust vpon, no frend to trust vpon.
Thy secretes told to such as haue, of dissembling the proper way, to be blabd forth
Ii.iij. thee

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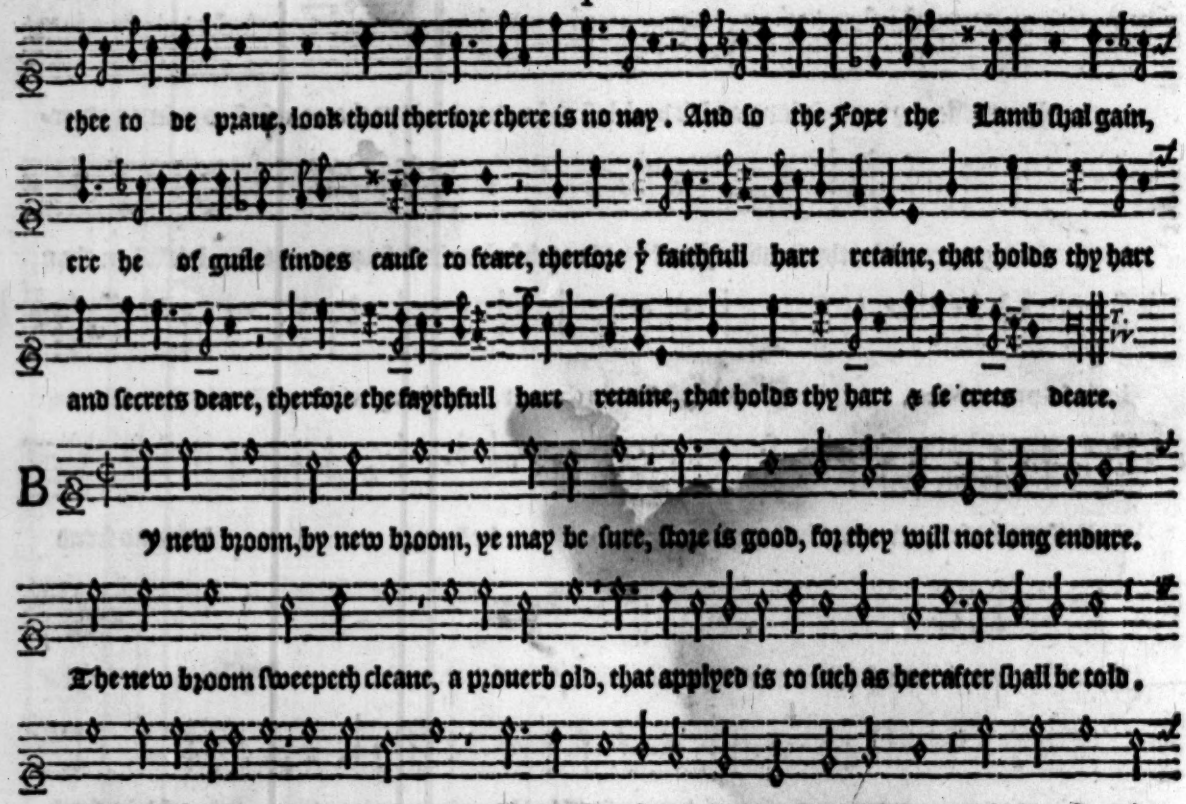
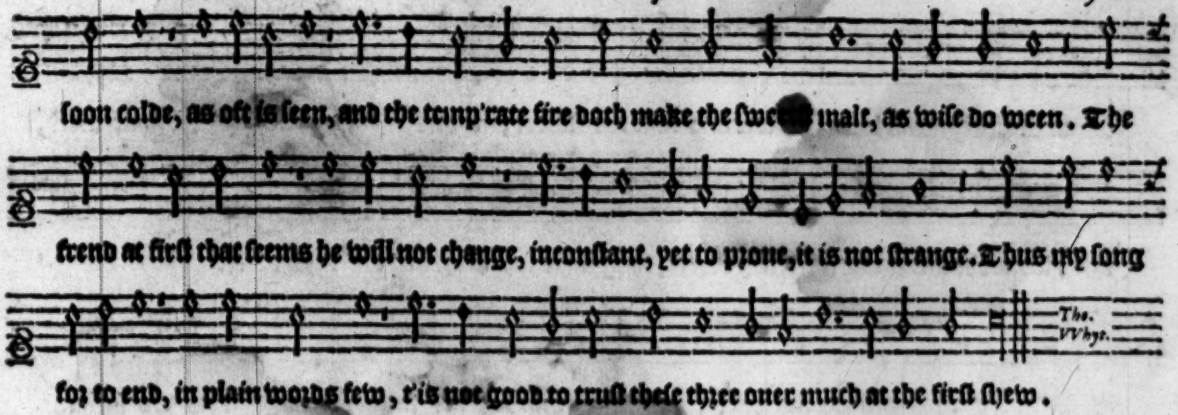

thee to be prayse, look thou therfore there is no nay. And so the Fore the Lamb shal gain,
ere he of guile findes cause to feare, therfore ỳ faithfull hart retaine, that holds thy hart
and secrets deare, therfore the faythfull hart retaine, that holds thy hart & se'crets deare.
B
Y new broom, by new broom, ye may be sure, shore is good, for they will not long endure.
The new broom sweepeth cleane, a prouerb old, that applyed is to such as heerafter shall be told.
The double diligent the seruant new: And the hote louer that dy'eth at first vew. The hote lone is
soon


soon colde, as oft is seen, and the temp'rate fire doth make the swe malt, as wise do ween. The
frend at first that seems he will not change, inconstant, yet to prone, it is not strange. Thus my long
The. Why?
for to end, in plain words few, t'is not good to trust these three ouer much at the first shew.
G
Eue not thy minde to hea ui nes suffer not cares to make thee thrall, for they in
time dry vp doubles, thy bones and moysture radicall. The ioy and cheerfulnes of hart,
is onely comfort of mans life, and gladnes she prolongs by art, his li uing dayes de-

Triplex.

noyde of strife. Now leaue ỹ sowre and take the sweet, thou shalt for helth finde it most meet,

Tho. Whythorne.

now leaue the sowre and take the sweet, thou shalt for helth finde it most meet.

S

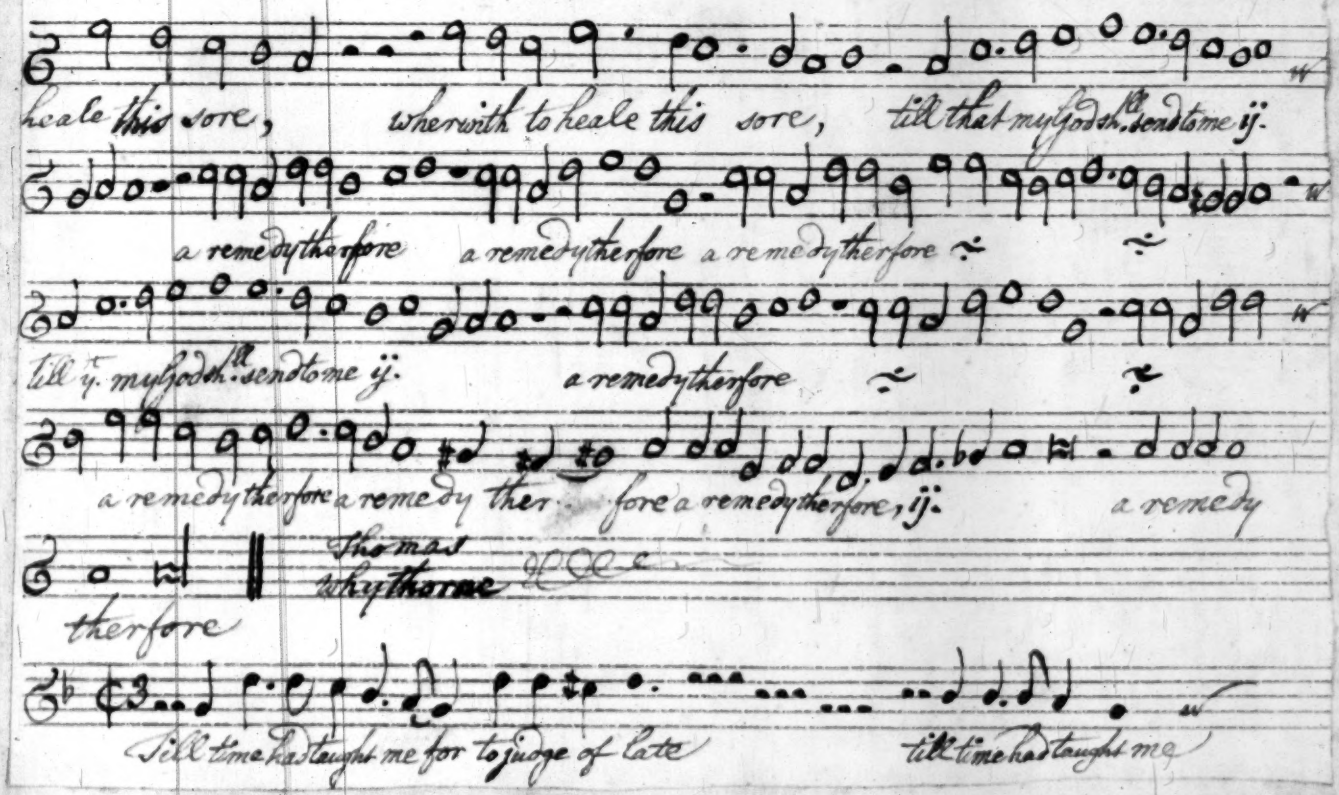
Shall I this wo sustaine, shall I this wo sustaine, shall I this wo sustaine,

which is come by mischance? and haue no ease againe, ij. and haue no ease againe, and haue

no ease againe, but still to haue grenance? Then patience the salue must be, then patience the salue

must be, ij. wherwith to heale this sore, wherwith to heale this sore, wherwith to

heale


heale this sore, wherwith to heale this sore, till that my god sh. send to me ij.
a remedy therfore a remedy therfore a remedy therfore
till y. my god sh. send to me ij. a remedy therfore
a remedy therfore a remedy ther fore a remedy therfore, ij. a remedy
therfore
Thomas whythorne
Till time had taught me for to judge of late
till time had taught me

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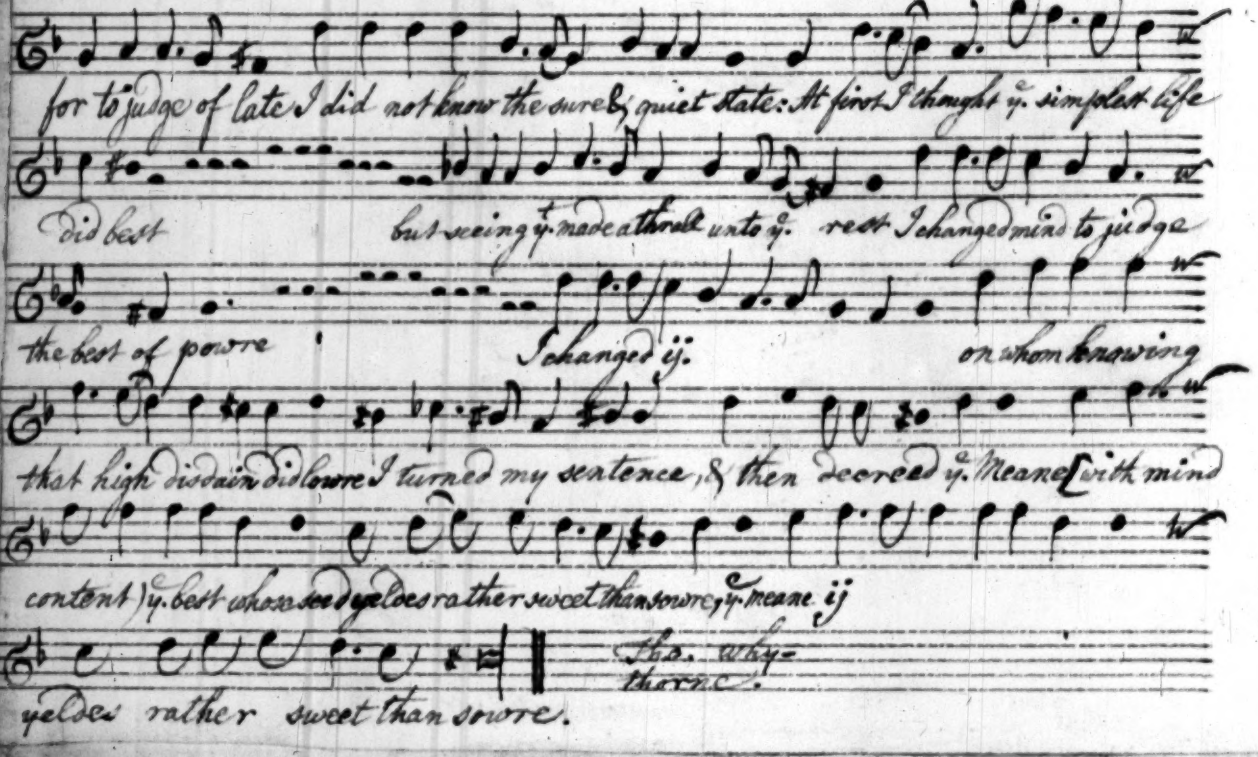

for to judge of late I did not know the sure & quiet state: At first I thought ỳ. simplest life
did best
but seeing ỳ. made a threat unto ỳ. rest I changed mind to judge
the best of powre
I changed ij.
on whom knowing
that high disdain disloure I turned my sentence, & then decreed ỳ. Meane with mind
content ỳ. best whose seed yelds rather sweet than sowre, ỳ. meane ij
The. why-
therne.
yelds rather sweet than sowre.

A

S restless head doth always geue as restles head doth always geue ye like sowre sauce to

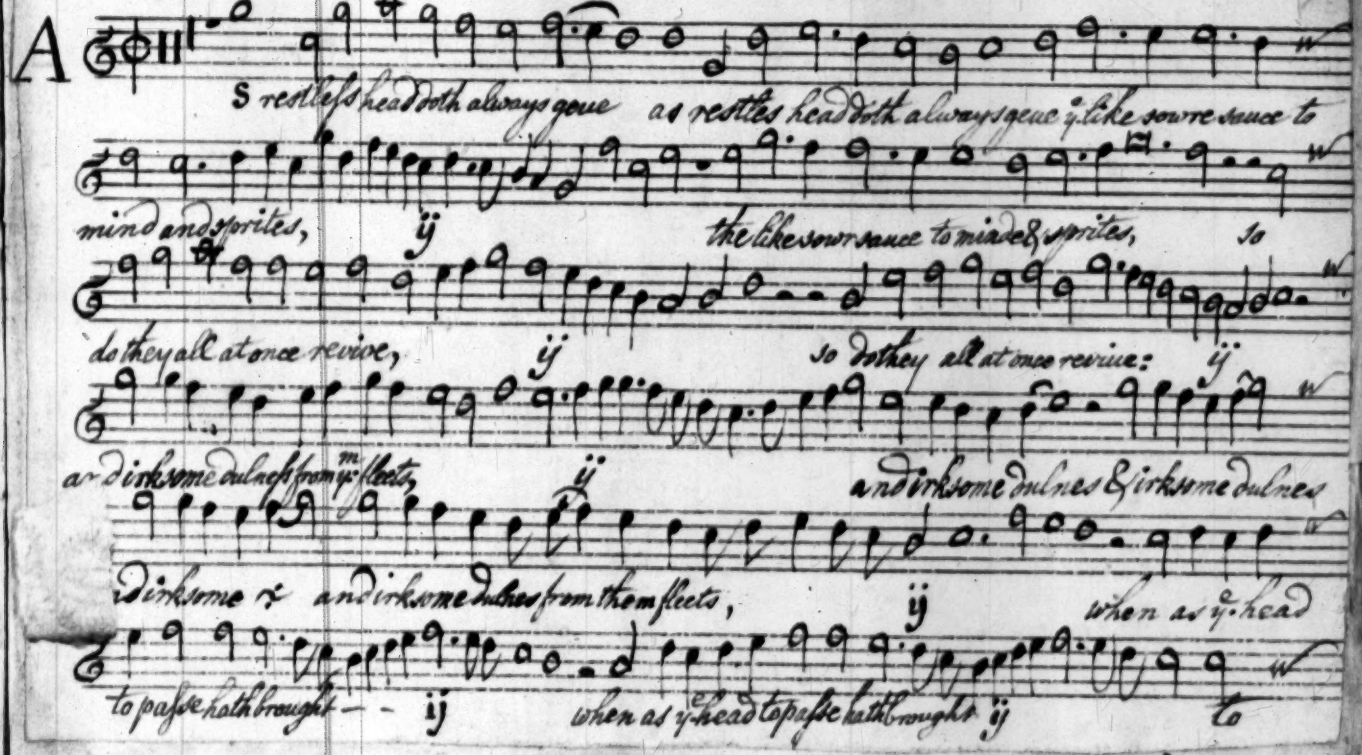
mind and sprites, ij the like sowr sauce to minde & sprites, so

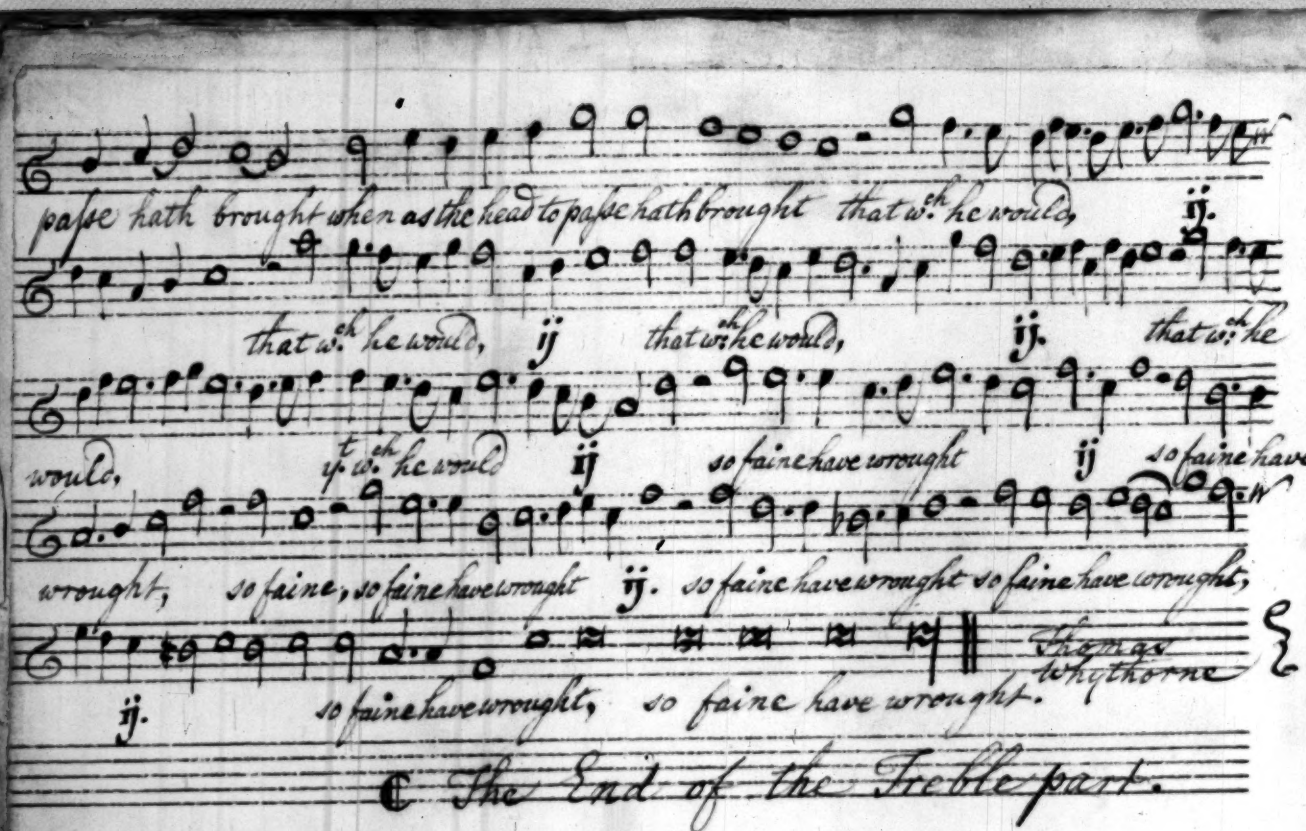
do they all at once revive, ij so do they all at once reviue: ij

and irksome dulness from ym fleets, ij and irksome dulnes & irksome dulnes

and irksome ✕ and irksome dulnes from them fleets, ij when as ye head

to passe hath brought - - ij when as ye head to passe hath brought ij to




passe hath brought when as the head to passe hath brought that wch he would, ij.
that wch he would, ij that wch he would, ij. that wch he
would, that wch he would ij so faine have wrought ij so faine have
wrought, so faine, so faine have wrought ij. so faine have wrought so faine have wrought,
ij. so faine have wrought, so faine have wrought.
Thomas Whythorne
The End of the Treble part.

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